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1941 JUNE



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## *Fareward*

A tiny town settled in the heart of a valley with a colorful backdrop of the Sierra Nevada Mountains—lumberjacks, the Old Betsy Engine, coaches cutting ruts through mountains—all of these incidents are a part of our past epitomized in the name of our community.

Madera, in its Spanish origination, meant lumber and came to be a place on the map because of this great industry. A sixty-mile flume which transported timber to a mill became famous as the longest boardwalk of its kind in the world.

Now, with only broken spans of this timber conveyance left, we salute a past industry of this county before it slips into a final oblivion. We salute it, too, because it named and founded our fastly growing community.



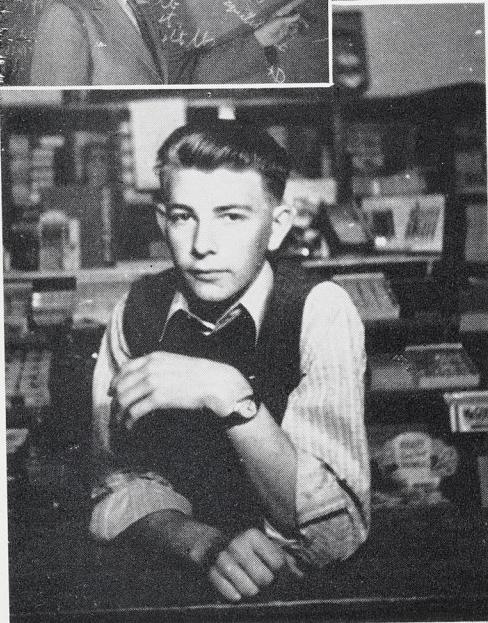
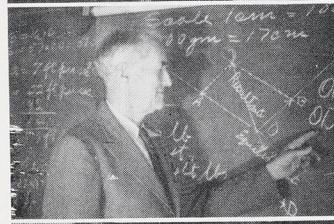
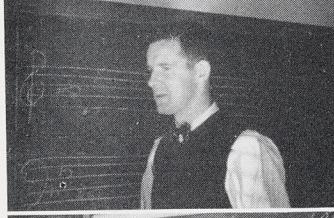
Mrs. Lois M. Chambers . . .  
Her smiles aren't unusual. . .

## Dedication

The person who loves his job stands out from the crowd. So, in looking back over a four-year high school career, it is not difficult for our Senior Class to choose a person who meets this qualification.

To us, this qualification is an important one, because it sets an ideal toward which we may work. We hope that we may achieve a personal happiness and spread enthusiasm and kindly advice as has the person who has guided us through the greater part of our high school life.

So, because of your guidance and never ending enthusiasm for our activities and scholastic endeavors, we, the Senior Class of 1941, wish to dedicate this Purple and White to you, Lois Chambers, so many people will know about the little lady with the big smile.



## *Business &*

Is there a modern Curie in this classroom? At the top of the page we find Mr. Smith's chemistry class in action. Next in line are three teachers caught in the act of teaching. Miss Wills smiles with the bloom of vitamins in her cheeks; Mr. Arnold has something musical in mind while Mr. Sheldon looks happy over a technical explanation. The Girls' league council looks very busy at the business of posing, but the girl at the right with the paint brush looks intent on her job of coloring little squares. At the bottom we find the book store man appealing to the public.



## Pleasure

Up in the top row is the advanced biology class peering at unknown wonders through the microscope. Next comes a group of boys nailing away on something that looks like a feeder to us. And the Future Farmers are snipping ragged twigs off our shrubbery. The scene and the dishes on the tray suggest the cafeteria in the next flash of this, our school life. The group to the right brings back memories of the preparation of this book, for it's a snap before the real snap was taken. The boys on the bottom of the page are peering into the insides of an innocent car, and they're trying to decide what makes it tick.



## *Science Building*

There's a certain excitement about moving day, so March is memorable as the time in which science classes moved into the spacious new building located on the south side of our campus.

Made possible by the economy of the administration, the new Science Building is one of the most modern buildings in the state of California. It has many special features such as a dark room, a solarium, venetian blinds, slanted ceilings, indirect lighting and a Little Theater which seats 200 persons. This theater room will be used for dramatic classes, lectures, public speaking and as a projection room.

The new building stands as a perfect example of what can be achieved by economy and offers much in classroom opportunities to our fortunate student body.



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Principal L. C. Thompson, S. Green, E. Nelson, J. Sanderson, P. Ocheltree, G. Pickford.

## The Business Behind Our Institution

In our self governing privileges we are apt to forget that it is a lawyer, a furniture man, an insurance salesman, two ranchers and our principal who really make us tick, for they are the men who compose the high school Board of Trustees. Representing all the people in the school district, these six men are concerned mainly with the financial and administrative aspects of school life.

For the last few years, the chief aim of the board has been the enlarging of school facilities, especially buildings and equipment. This has been necessitated by the enlarging student body and has been solved by the new gymnasium, the new science building, the purchase of twenty acres of land and the addition of new teachers to the faculty each year.

Working in close conjunction with the trustees, are the two offices—the main office and treasurer's office. A file with the program of each student, a lost and found department, teacher's mail boxes, teacher's bulletin board, a supply room and a switch board are all to be found in the main office as well as a general information center and absence, tardy and detention list compilations.

Finances of the school and its organizations are kept in order by the staff in the treasurer's office for all receipts and expenditures are tabulated in the official records. This office also contributes greatly to the success of many events by mimeographing numerous programs, tickets, bulletins and advertisements.

Mrs. Kathryn Hughes, Registrar, is seen instructing student office girls. Miss Teresa Pistoresi, secretary, pauses a brief moment to flash a smile at the camera, while the group on the right represents the treasurer's office force.



# *Administration*



Principal L. C. Thompson . . .

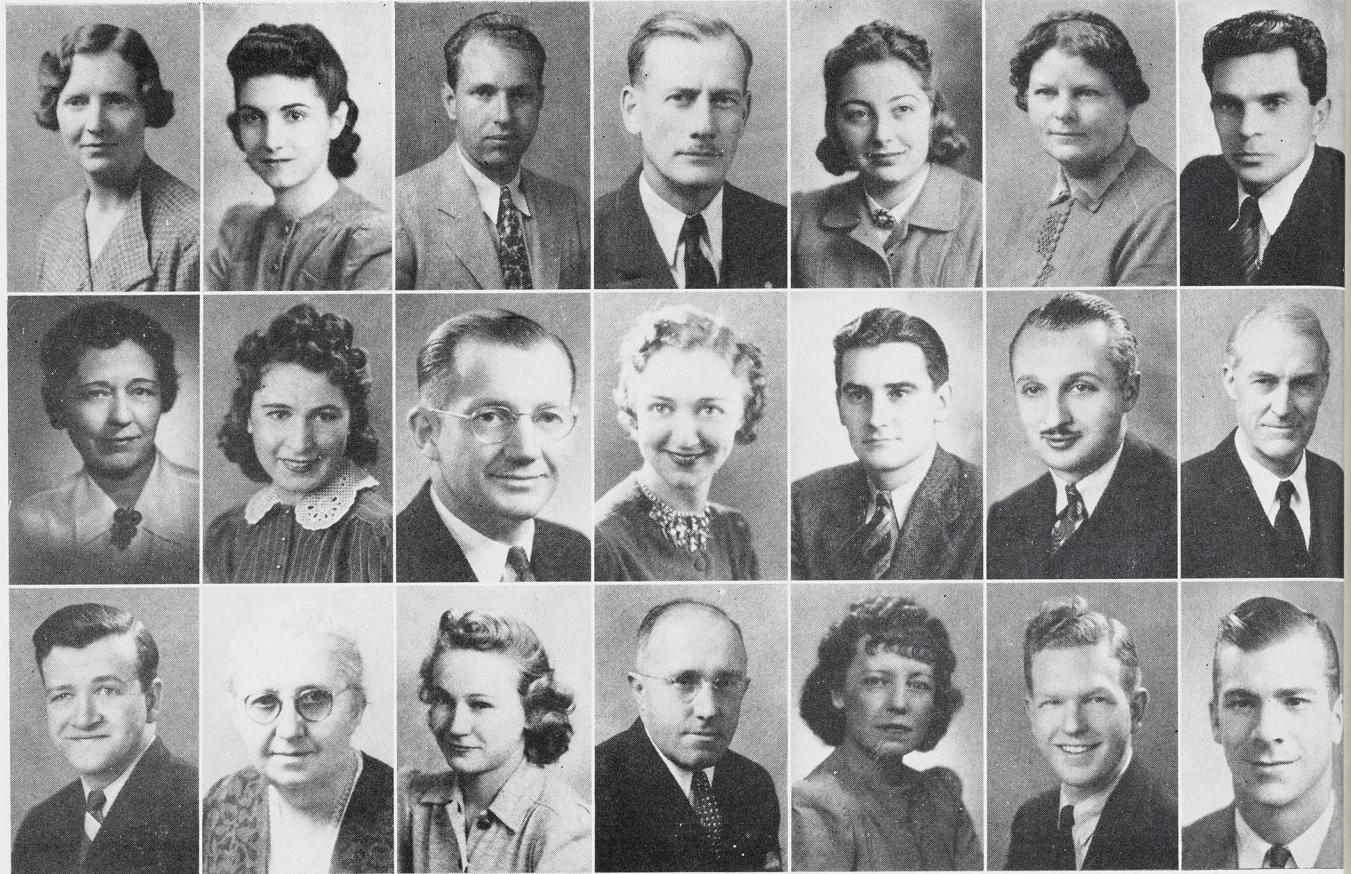
## *The Man Behind The Desk*

### **RESPONSIBILITY**

In June, 1941, we catch enough time between broadcasts to realize that there should be and is something more than just "freedom" in this country of ours. Editorials, essay and oratorical contests and uplift societies have glorified freedom to the place where obligations and responsibilities have been all but squeezed out of sight.

Unless you graduates and the other of us realize that freedom was won through the assumption of obligations and responsibilities and that such freedom will inevitably fade away unless we are again willing to assume responsibility, we may as well join the ranks of those people who have relinquished all semblance of self-expression and self-determination.

Our emphasis must be equally divided among freedom, obligation, and responsibility.



**MISS THERESA PISTORESI**  
Secretary

Top row L. to R.  
**MISS MARY JARDINE**  
English  
Dean of Girls

**MISS ALICE KASPARIAN**  
Commercials

**MR. RAYMOND KENDALL**  
English  
Track

**MR. ROSS KINNEY**  
Football  
Social Science

**MISS NORMA LEMMON**  
Spanish  
English

**MRS. BONITA MALOY**  
Latin  
History Department Head

**MR. JESS MARKLE**  
Boys' P. E.

Center row L. to R.  
**MRS. ONA McMILLAN**  
Domestic Science

**MISS VIRGINIA MOORE**  
Commercials

**MR. GEORGE MONTAGUE**  
English  
Social Science

**MRS. CAROLYN PITMAN**  
English  
Annual

**MR. ROBERT PRATER**  
Science

**MR. ARTHUR SARNA**  
English  
Journalism

**MR. GEORGE SHELDON**  
Science

Bottom row L. to R.  
**MR. O. D. SMITH**  
Science  
Mathematics

**MISS ELIZABETH STODDARD**  
English Department Head

**MISS ELNA TURNER**  
French  
Domestic Science

**MR. H. A. VOLLBORN**  
Mathematics  
Social Science  
Vice-Principal

**MISS ROBERTA WILLS**  
Domestic Science

**MR. BERNARD WOODS**  
Commercial Treasurer

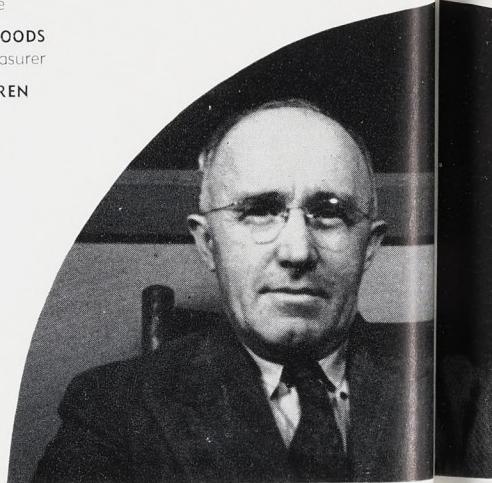
**MR. RINALDO WREN**  
Commercial  
Athletics

Mr. H. A. Vollborn . . .  
Dean of Boys and cheerful counselor

Miss

De-

*Faculty*





## *Faculty*

Miss Mary Jardine . . .  
Dean of Girls and friendly advisor. . .

Top row L. to R.

**MISS FLORENCE ANTONE**  
Spanish

**MR. H. E. ARMSTRONG**  
Auto Shop

**MR. JAMES ARNOLD**  
Music

**MR. EDMUND ATKINSON**  
Boys' P. E.  
Athletic Department Head

**MR. IRVING ATLAS**  
Commercial

**MR. VIRGIL BERGMAN**  
English  
Dramatics

**MISS LORRAINE BOWLUS**  
Science  
Girls' P. E.

Center row L. to R.

**MISS LOIS CHAMBERS**  
Girls' P. E.

**MRS. ANITA CLARK**  
Art

**MR. ERWIN DECKER**  
English  
Mathematics  
Football

**MISS ANNABEL DENN**  
Music Department Head

**MR. LOREN DOUGLAS**  
Music

**MR. FRED DRAKE**  
Librarian

**MR. L. J. ERICSON**  
Industrial Arts

Bottom row L. to R.

**MR. TED FEICHTMEIR**  
Athletics  
Industrial Arts

**MISS GRACE FULLER**  
Tennis  
Mathematics

**MR. EDWARD GRISWOLD**  
Agriculture Department Head

**MRS. PHYLLIS GROSS**  
Science

**MISS ANNABEL HALL**  
Spanish

**MR. ALLEN HATCH**  
Agriculture

**MRS. KATHRYN HUGHES**  
Registrar

# *Commissioners*

FIRST SEMESTER



**Bettylee Pinion . . .**

First semester chairman of the board and cheerful commissioner. . .

Eight commissioners and one advisor looked at each other and shook their heads. It was September, the fall term had just begun, and the Constitution of the Student Body of Madera Union high school needed a revision. Their mail box told them that public opinion was frankly against any inactivity on the part of the student governing body.

To start things rolling only one week after the term began, the commissioners organized a patrol to keep students in order who visited the train depot for the presidential campaign speech of Wendell L. Willkie, Republican nominee.

Next in the line of activities came color week, preceding the annual Big Game with the Merced Bears. The halls and rooms were decorated with purple and white streamers and the commissioners urged everyone to cooperate in noon rallies to get school spirit running high for the great rival.

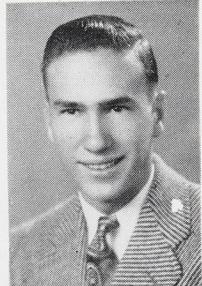
During the Christmas season the commissioners sponsored a decoration contest to introduce the holiday spirit before vacation finally arrived. Most of the clubs and organizations participated and a church choir scene with real music won first honors for the orchestra.

The board also had a large calendar of school events made and placed in the main hall for the convenience of the students.

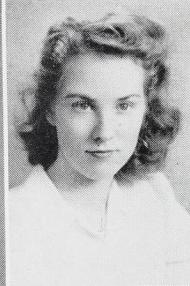
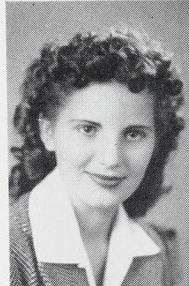
The board progressed through the fall term under Parliamentary Procedure but little revising of the constitution was done until the second semester.

Bettylee Pinion acted as chairman of the commissioners during the first term.

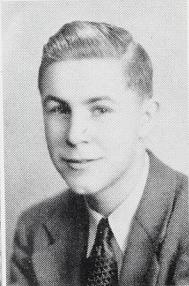
**K. FOSTER**  
Assemblies



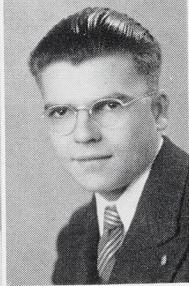
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Social Welfare



**D. BARNES**  
Publications

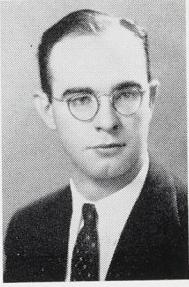
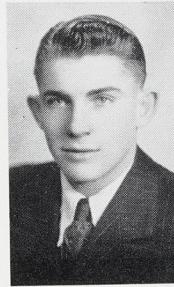


**A. PAGNI**  
Girls' Activities



**H. LYNCH**  
Clerk

**K. GILL**  
Finance



**J. GARTHWAITE**  
Boys' Activities

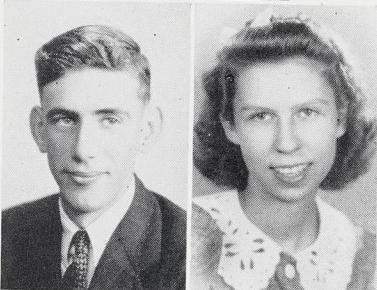
**MR. E. DECKER**  
Adviser

# *Commissioners*

SECOND SEMESTER

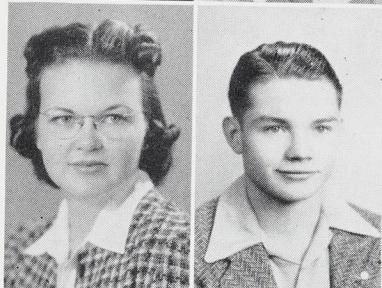


B. CLARK  
Assemblies



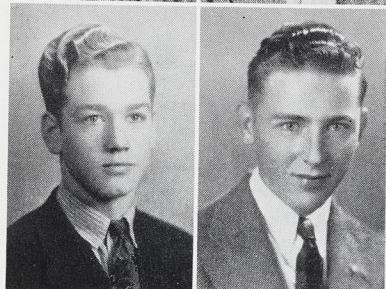
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M. THOMPSON  
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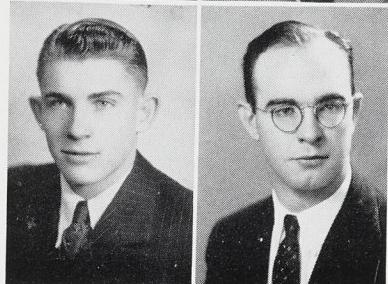
G. BROOKS  
Girls' Activities

K. ROBBINS  
Clerk



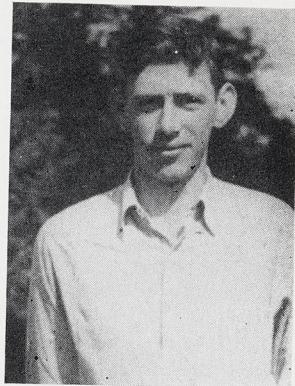
C. WRIGHT  
Awards

W. HALL  
Finance



J. GARTHWAITE  
Boys' Activities

MR. E. DECKER  
Adviser



W. L. HORTON . . .  
Industrious constitution re-  
viser and second semester  
board chairman . . .

Emerging after two months of the new term had passed was a completely rejuvenated constitution, long awaited by the students. By this new constitution, presented for mass approval, the students will become known as the Associated Student Body of Madera Union High and the board of commissioners will be changed to eleven in number to replace the old system of eight.

The former Commissioner of Assemblies will become the Student Body President in the next election for board members and the presidents of Boys' Federation and Girls' League, will be recognized as commissioners as well as the Chairman of the Rally Committee and the head yell leader. The present commissioner of Boys' Activities office will be discontinued.

Also, by the revised constitution each student will be required to register a week prior to election and the procedure of voting will follow the national system used in presidential elections.

In addition to the revision of the school's great document, the spring term commissioners sponsored a general clean-up week in the middle of April. All scraps and undesirable riff raff that usually clutter up the halls were thrown into proper containers.

The custom of saluting the flag at each assembly was inaugurated by the commissioners during their first week in office. Each assembly the salute was led by a student representing the group giving or sponsoring the assembly. During the week three students of the same group stand at attention each evening at the lowering of the flag.

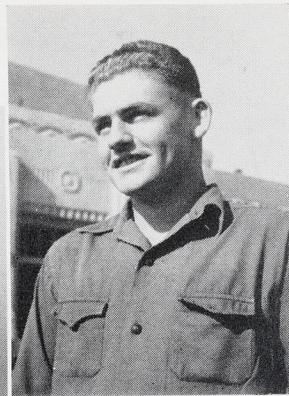
Chairman of the board for the second semester term was W. L. Horton.



**Jack Brammar . . .**  
First semester prexy.  
Bashful, son?



**Mr. Rinaldo Wren . . .**  
Federation advisor.  
A man of action, folks.



**Craig Smith . . .**  
Second semester gavel man.  
Another man of action.

## *Boys' Federation*

Lads without lassies came together in the bona fide masculine organization, Boys' Federation. During first semester the boys exchanged a program with Girls' League, were entertained by a faculty play and various movie programs.

The council for the first semester was appointed by the president and the advisor and much discussion was held as to whether or not the organization should be discontinued because of lack of enthusiasm on the part of the boys.

Second semester, however, the boys became more enthusiastic and supported the organization in a better fashion. The council was composed of volunteers approved by the advisor and president.

### **BOYS' FEDERATION COUNCIL**

E. Armi, W. Stoetzl, W. L. Horton, F. Lease, G. Clark, K. Foster, C. Smith, K. Gill, B. Mariscotti, A. Musconi



The boys sponsored the annual Punch Bowl which was held on two nights this year. Programs during the second semester consisted of movies of Friant Dam project and a year's sport cast, boxing exhibitions and military drills.

During the second semester questionnaires were sent to many high schools throughout the state in an effort to discover what kind of all masculine organizations other schools have. With the aid of the replies a new constitution was written for the organization by the council and advisors.

Mr. Bergman and Mr. Decker assisted Mr. Wren in the advisory position.



**Gertrude Lynch . . .**  
Fall term gavel wielder.  
That is not a mallet, Gertie!



**Miss Mary Jardine . . .**  
League advisor.  
There's force behind that  
pleasant look!



**Anne Halloran . . .**  
Spring term proxy.  
Leave it to the Irish to smile.

## *Girls' Federation*

Proving that girls do more than paint and powder, the Girls' League chalked up a very full year for the records. In addition to two official delegates, thirty unofficial delegates attended the regional convention held in Sanger. This was fun for some of the boys, too, who made the trip to act as escorts for girls at the convention dance.

Mary Hampton, famed style expert, was featured at a special League meeting and predicted what was to come in the field of fashion.

Talented girls presented an assembly, and exchange program with Boys' Federation, and a

return program for Selma high school Girls' League.

The League enjoyed a special Christmas program presented by outside talent and also sent gifts to girls of the high school who were in the Ahwanee Sanitorium.

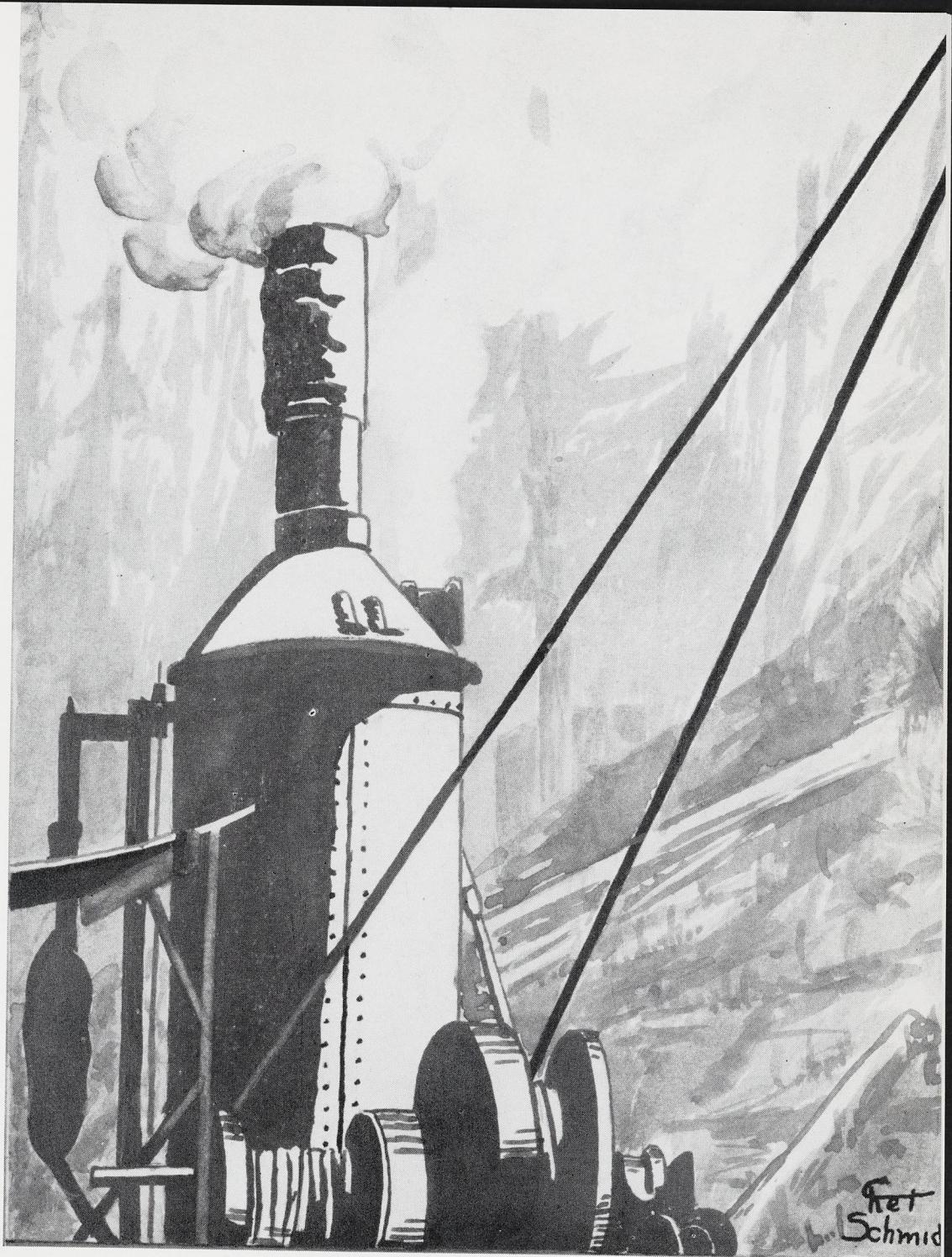
During the second semester the annual Blossom Day and Style Show was held with every femme sporting something new that papa bought her. An amateur program uncovered hidden talent and left some girls wishing theirs was still hiding!

### GIRLS' LEAGUE COUNCIL

A. Stadille, W. Brammer, D. Venturi, M. Kobayashi, S. Larson, M. Hummer, P. Lanningham, M. Williams,  
A. Halloran, G. Lynch, B. Clark, B. Benning, E. Armstrong



THE CLUES



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Ah—Men?

### THE PREXY AND HIS SECONDS

Chet Scmidtz, popular two term senior chief, flanked by Wesley Hall and Kenneth Foster, vice prexies for fall and spring semesters. The grin is unanimous!

As typical of a senior, their calendars were filled with such activities as sponsoring the dance for the annual carnival. Here, the floor was decorated as a huge skating rink, while on the same evening their candidate, Dolly Washburn, was chosen queen of this annual "Big Event."

## 1941 Graduates

At Right, Down:

**ROBERT ALLRED**

Boys' Federation

**EILEEN ARMSTRONG**

Pan-American Forum, G.A.A.

President, Girls' League Council

**KATHLEEN BEAR**

Commerce Club, Commissioner of

Awards, Gold Seal Bearer, G.A.A.

**MARGARET BOSWORTH**

Cafeteria, Girls' League

Top Row, L. to R.:

**GENEVIEVE BROOKS**

Commerce Club Secretary, Schol-  
arship (3), G.A.A. Vice-Presi-  
dent, Commissioner of Girls' Ac-  
tivities

**DONALD LAWRENCE CAMPBELL**

Boys' Federation

**ANNE THERESA CEREGHINO**

Pan-American Forum, Girls'  
League, G.A.A.

**BARBARA CLARK**

Commissioner of Assemblies, Pan-  
American Forum, Scholarship  
Vice-President, Girls' League  
Council

**GEORGE CLARK**

Gold "M," Boys' Federation,  
Track, Football

**DONALD COBB**

Gold Seal Bearer, Scholarship  
President, Sophomore-Junior Class  
President, F.F.A. President

Bottom Row, L. to R.:

**ANNA JULIA DaCOSTA**

Cafeteria, Commerce Club, Har-  
vest Dance, G.A.A.

**BEVERLEY DAVID**

Cafeteria, Junior Play Staff, Ma-  
deran, Girls' League

**ELBERT DAVIS**

Boys' Federation, Freshman Class  
President, Football, Track

**DEANE DAVIS**

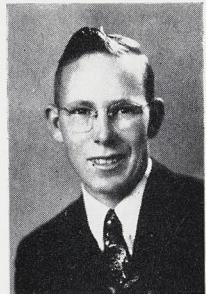
Cafeteria, Junior Play Staff, Li-  
brary, Maderan

**JACK DOOLEY**

Boys' Federation, F.F.A.

**WALLACE EWING**

Pan-American Forum, Track,  
Football, Boys' Federation





**Top Row, L. to R.:**

**GLORIA VIRGINIA FAILLA**  
Commerce Club, Scholarship (2),  
Girls' League

**KENNETH FOSTER**  
Commissioner of Assemblies, Junior Play, Junior Class President,  
Boys' State

**EVELYN FREEMAN**  
Girls' League Council, Writers' Club, Gold Seal Bearer

**KENNETH GILL**  
Commissioner of Finance, Thespians, Tennis, Purple and White

**RAY GILLILAND**  
Football, Baseball, Boys' Federation

**LON GORDON**  
Football, Swimming, Baseball, F.F.A.

**Bottom Row, L. to R.:**  
**BRUCE GOTTFREDSON**  
Football, French Club, Boys' Federation

**WESLEY HALL**  
Gold Seal Bearer, Boys' Federation Council, Senior Class Vice-President, Commissioner of Finance

**ANNE HALLORAN**  
Scholarship (4), Purple and White and Maderan, Girls' League President, Thespians

**FUMIKA HIRAHARA**  
Scholarship (3), Chorus, Girls' League, Purple and White

**VIRGIL HOULDING**  
Boys' Federation

**DAVID JONES**  
French Club, Football, Boys' Federation

**At Left, Down:**  
**FRED JONES**  
Boys' Federation Council, Taxidermy Teacher, Scholarship (1), Swimming

**MANCEL JUSTICE**  
Band, Orchestra, Pan-American Forum, Thespians

**DONALD KELLY**  
Boys' Federation

**HAROLD KILCREASE**  
Boys' Federation

On February 10, after much delay because of the weather, the seniors stole away at dawn to spend the day at near-by Badger Pass, leaving the poor juniors in a muddle of confusion as to just when the great day would arrive. The school was also left without the sign of a "higher-rated."

Of course, the juniors (and others) had their laugh when the seniors returned with snow-burned faces and limping from twisted ankles and ski bruises.

*1941 Graduates*



**Top Row, L. to R.:**

**ROBERT B. KOURY**  
Boys' Federation

**ROBERTA JEAN KRAYENBUHL**  
Purple and White and Maderan,  
French Club, Junior Play Staff,  
G.A.A.

**PATRICIA LANINGHAM**  
Gold Seal Bearer, Commissioner  
of Publications (2), Maderan  
Co-editor, Purple and White As-  
sociate Editor

**GRACE LOGOLUSO**  
Mixed Chorus, Girls' League

**ANITA LOLICH**  
Pan-American Forum, Band,  
Junior Play Staff, Girls' League

**MARY REGENA MARTINEZ**  
Pan-American Forum, French  
Club, Melodettes, Girls' League

**Bottom Row, L. to R.:**

**ROBERT MARISCOTTI**  
Boys' Federation

**DONALD CHARLES MENDOZA**  
Junior Play, Drama Club, Boys'  
Federation

**LUCILLE MURPHY**

Purple and White and Maderan,  
Commissioner of Social Welfare,  
Sophomore Class Secretary, Car-  
nival Queen ('40)

**MARY CAROLYN MURPHY**  
Thespians, Gold Seal Bearer,  
Pan-American Forum, Junior Play

**CARMEN ANN OLONO**  
Scholarship (5), French Club,  
Pan-American Forum, Girls'  
League

**ROBERT O'MEARA**  
Football, Track, Boys' Federation

**At Right, Down:**

**EMMA PEDRONCELLI**  
Scholarship (2), Girls' League,  
G.A.A.

**ENZO PETRUCCI**  
Band, Orchestra, Boys' Federation

**WILLETTE PETTY**  
Gold Seal Bearer, French Club,  
Band, Orchestra

Soon after school convened, five seniors —Gertrude Lynch, Anne Halloran, Lucille Murphy, Pat Laningham, and Craig Smith —were selected from the class to carry on all business pertaining to the yearbook until the class commenced activities second semester. These students supervised the selling of candy and hot dogs at games, sponsored after-game dances, and put on the big event of the year, the Purple and White Carnival.

*1941 Graduates*



**Top Row, L. to R.:**

**BILL POHL**  
Sophomore Class President, Football, Band, Boys' Federation

**MIKE POLETTI**  
Boys' Federation

**PINK CHRISTOPHER RABB**  
Orchestra, Boys' Federation, Commerce Club, Football

**CONSTANCE MARIE RODRIGUEZ**  
Pan-American Forum, Girls' League, Melodettes

**EMMA MARY RUSSELL**  
Girls' League

**DOROTHY SECARA**  
Scholarship (4), French Club, Girls' League

**Second Row, L. to R.:**

**CRAIG D. SMITH**  
Purple and White, State Vice-President and President of Madera Pan-American Forum, Commissioner of Boys' Activities, Football

**HAROLD SUMMERS**  
Football, Band, Boys' Federation

**MARION IONA TIPTON**  
Gold Seal Bearer, Junior Play, Orchestra, Pan-American Forum

**ANGELINA UNTI**  
Maderan Co-editor, Band, Purple and White, Commerce Club

**DOLORES VENTURI**  
Gold "M" Junior Play, Gold Seal Bearer, Commerce Club Secretary

**LORRAINE WACHTMANN**  
Commerce Club, Drama Club, Christmas Play, Mixed Chorus

**At Left, Down:**

**WILMA WATT**  
Majorette, Girls' League

**LEMUAL WILSON**  
Football, Boys' Federation

"You Can't Take It With You," Pulitzer prize winner, was chosen for the class play and was directed by Mr. Virgil Bergman. The high school version was presented on April 3rd and 4th and proved to be one of the highlights of the year. Although it was a difficult play, as most of the parts were character sketches, the cast put it over without a slip

No rub—No lather



*1941 Graduates*

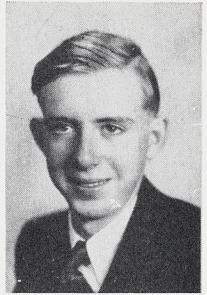


**They Laughed at Columbus, Too!**

Mrs. Lois Chambers helped the class through their first three years in high school as advisor. Miss Virginia Moore, commercial instructor, was elected by the class of '41 to lead them through their last months of school.

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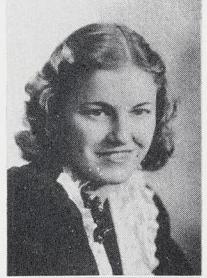
**At Right, Down:**  
**ROBERT FRANCIS ABBOTT**  
Boys' Federation



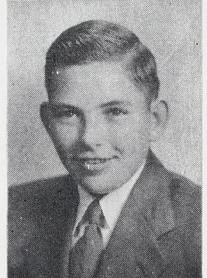
**BARBARA ANDERSON**  
Drama Club, French Club, Writers' Club, G.A.A.



**JOSEPHINE AVERY**  
Girls' League

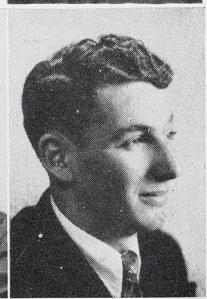


**HARVEY BAILEY**  
Boys' Federation



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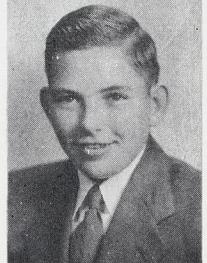
**RALPH A. BARALDI**  
Band, Orchestra, Varsitonians, Boys' Federation



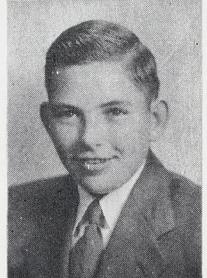
**WANDA BARR**  
Commerce Club, French Club, Gold Seal Bearer, G.A.A.



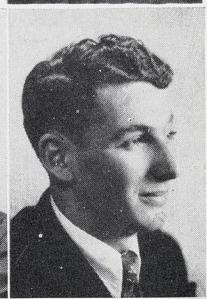
**RUSSELL BASYE**  
F.F.A., Boys' Federation



**HELEN BERGREN**  
Scholarship (5), Commerce Club, Treasurer, Girls' League



**CAROLYN BIRCH**  
Orchestra, Drama Club, Gold "M," Majorette

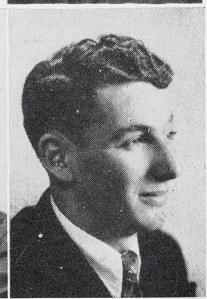


**DARIO BORIA**  
Projector Club, Commerce Club, Scholarship (2), Boys' Federation



**Bottom Row, L. to R.:**

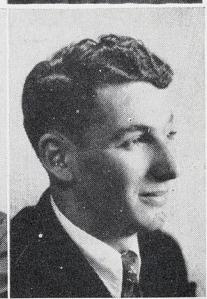
**DORA BORIA**  
Cafeteria, Girls' League



**EVA BOTTINI**  
Library, Cafeteria, Girls' League



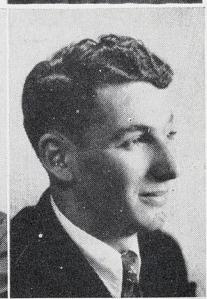
**OPAL MARIE McNEEL**  
Chorus, Girls' League



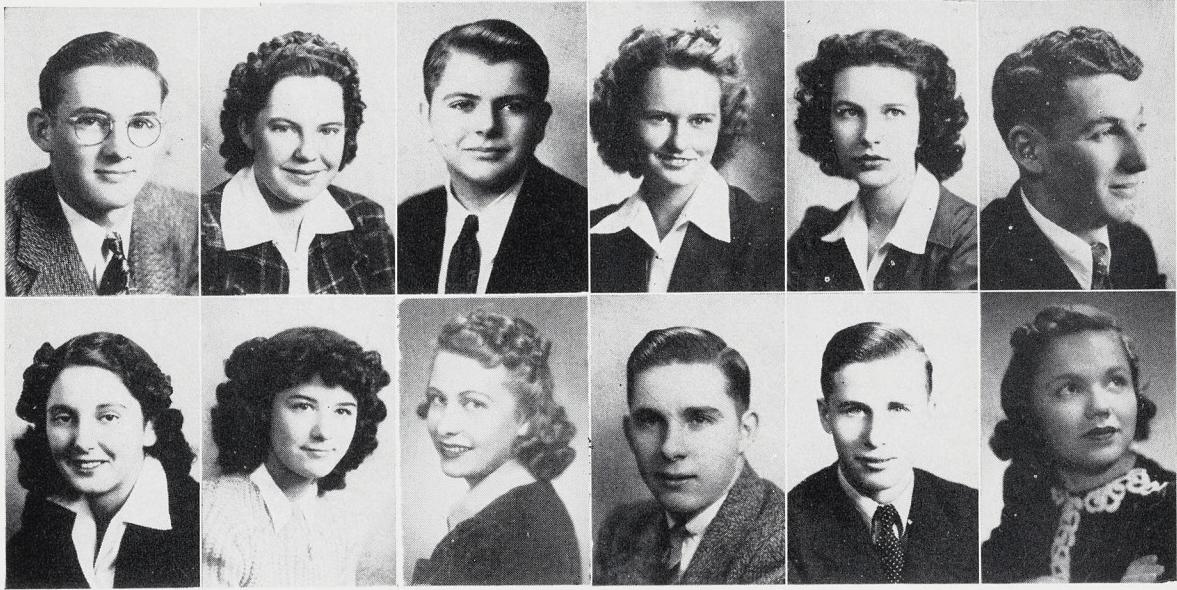
**JIMMIE BROWN**  
Junior Play, Band, Football, Boys' Federation



**LESTER RAY CAIN**  
Scholarship (6), Band, Purple and White, Maderan Managing Editor



**CAROLYN CHRISTIANA**  
Orchestra, Pan-American Forum, Girls' League



# 1941 Graduates



At Left, Down:

**INEZ MARY COLLODI**

Cafeteria, Girls' League

**PHYLLIS CREAMER**

Cafeteria, Girls' League

**DEAN B. CURRY**

Pan-American Forum, Purple and White, Commissioner Board, Head Yell Leader

**HILDA MARIE DALCERRO**

Commerce Club, Dance Club, Cafeteria, Maderan

Top Row, L. to R.:

**ELVIN K. DAVIS**

Track, Football, Basketball, F.F.A.

**ELEDA ROSE DeSANTI**

Scholarship (4), Commerce Club, Girls' League

**MASAO DOBASHI**

Commerce Club, Boxing, Baseball, Boys' Federation

**WILMA DOCKERY**

Cafeteria, Girls' League

**MILDRED LORETTA EVANS**

Advance Chorus, Commerce Club, Melodettes, Operetta

**JOSEPH FAILLA**

Football, Boys' Federation

Bottom Row, L. to R.:

**MABLE ANN FARNESI**

Mixed Chorus, Commerce Club, Pan-American Forum, G.A.A. Secretary

**ANTHONY FASO**

Boxing, Football, Frosh Yell Leader, F.F.A.

**VIRGINIA FRANCO**

Mixed Chorus, Girls' League

**LOUISA E. FRASER**

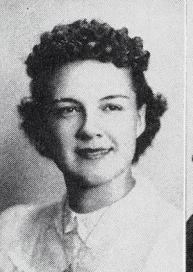
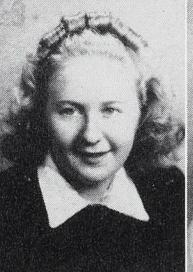
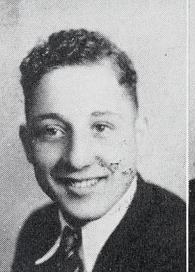
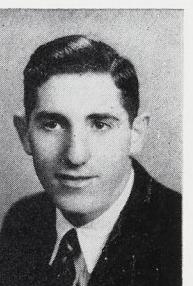
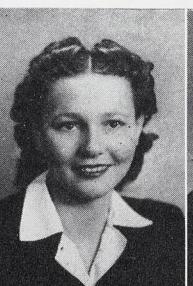
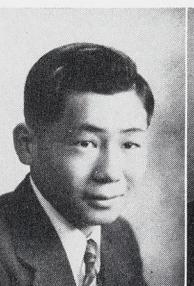
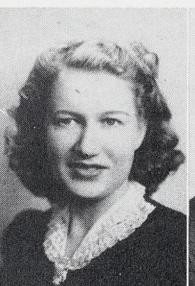
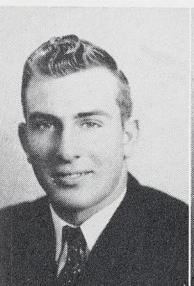
Maderan, Cafeteria, Girls' League, G.A.A.

**GERALDINE GRAHAM FREDERICK**

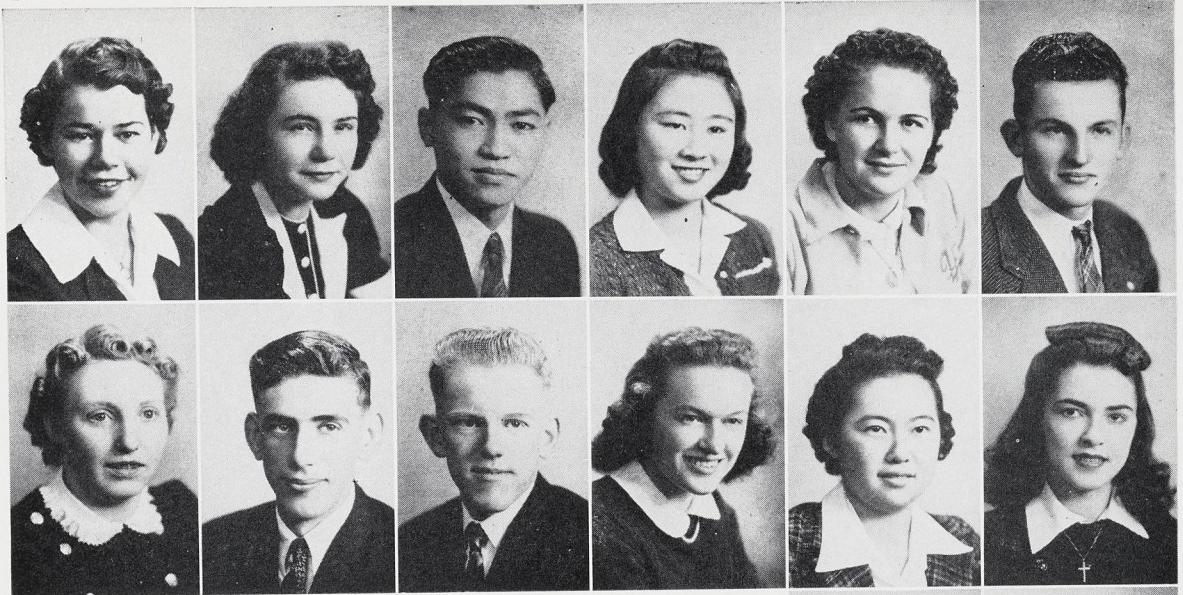
Varsitomians, Band, Swimming, G.A.A.

**ANITA L. GARCIA**

Assistant Commissioner of Girls' Activities, Chorus, Pan-American Forum, G.A.A.



For the first time in many years, one student held the position of president of the senior class for two semesters. Chester Schmidt efficiently presided over the last year of activities carried out by the class of '41; vice-president for the first semester was Wesley Hall, and Kenneth Foster took over the second part; Dolly Washburn was chosen secretary-treasurer for the first part of the year and Reba Montgomery, the second.



True colors cropped out, as for one day seniors began to arrive wearing some of the most unusual and grotesque outfits ever seen. Why? Senior Freak Day, had you forgotten?

**Top Row, L. to R.:**

**DOROTHY LOUISE GASKIN**  
Chorus, Mixed Chorus, Orchestra,  
Girls' League

**DEWATHA GENTRY**  
Cafeteria, Writer's Club, Girls'  
League

**WAY YEA GONG**  
Maderan, Boys' Federation, F.F.A.

**YOKO GOTO**  
Gold Seal Bearer, Chorus, Girls'  
League

**JEWEL HARRIS**  
Purple and White and Maderan,  
Library, Girls' League, G.A.A.

**ELDON HART**  
Band, Boys' Federation  
**Second Row, L. to R.:**

**ALENE HOOTON**  
Girls' League

**W. L. HORTON**  
Football Manager, Commissioner  
of Social Welfare, Boys' Federa-  
tion, F.F.A.

**ROBERT ALLAN HOWE**  
Boys' Federation Council, Track,  
Band

**MARGARET ELIZABETH HUMMER**  
Scholarship (6), French Club,  
Girls' League Council, Orchestra

**LILLIAN INAMI**  
Scholarship (1), Girls' League,  
G.A.A.

**ISABEL JACKSON**  
French Club, Girls' League

**Third Row, L. to R.:**

**WINIFRED JAMES**  
Girls' League

**NELLIE CHRISTINE JESSEN**  
Orchestra, Commerce Club, Pan-  
American Forum, Girls' League

**Bottom Row, L. to R.:**

**LEONARD JONES**  
Boys' Federation

**FLORENCE VIOLA KENNEDY**  
Chorus, Girls' League

**At Right:**

**NORMA KILCREASE**  
Writers' Club Secretary, Sopho-  
more Class Secretary, Operetta,  
Orchestra

**CHARLES KING**  
Band, F.F.A., Boys' Federation

*1941 Graduates*

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At Left:

**MARION KING**

Cafeteria, Girls' League

**MARY KOBAYASHI**

Gold Seal Bearer, Girls' League  
Council, G.A.A.

First Row, L. to R.:

**FRANK LEASE**

Pan-American Forum, Boys' Federation,  
French Club, Debating

**MARY GRACE LEGGETT**

K.M.J. Radio Skit, Thespian  
President, Junior Play, Drum  
Major

Second Row, L. to R.:

**WILLIAM LONGATTI**

Boys' Federation, Pruning Team,  
F.F.A.

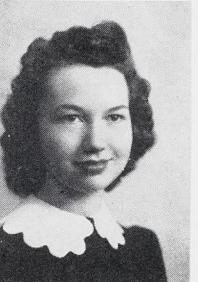
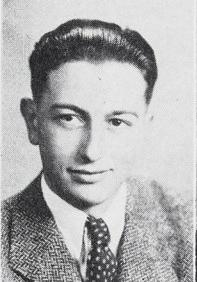
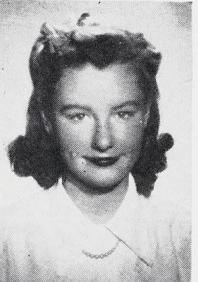
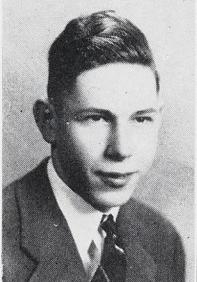
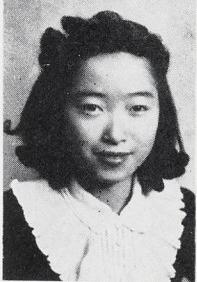
**GERTRUDE LYNCH**

Girls' League President, Gold  
Seal Bearer, Purple and White  
and Maderan Editor, D.A.R. Citi-  
zenship Diploma

Third Row, L. to R.:

**JAMES BOYCE LYNCH**

Football, Boxing, Freshman Class  
President, Clerk of Commissioners



**WILLARD HOWARD MAXWELL**

Basketball, Commerce Club,  
Boys' Federation

**JAMES WILLIS McGINNIS**

Pianist, Orchestra, Varsitonians,  
Program of Original Music

**ALICE MICKELSON**

Gold Seal Bearer, Drama Club,  
Girls' League

**INEZ MILLHOLLOW**

Cafeteria, Girls' League

**VERA JUANITA MITCHELL**

Girls' League

Bottom Row, L. to R.:

**REBA GAIL MONTGOMERY**

Student Director of Junior Play,  
Drama Club Secretary, Gold Seal  
Bearer President, Senior Class  
Secretary

**BYRD MORGAN**

Track, Boxing, F.F.A., Boys' Fed-  
eration

**CLIFFORD MOORE**

Boys' Federation, F.F.A.

**FRANK MORSE**

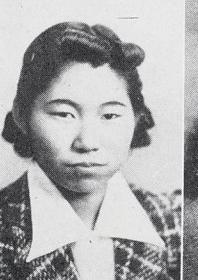
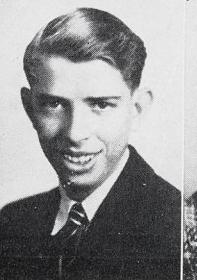
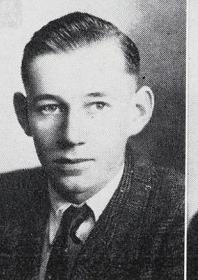
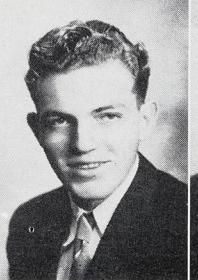
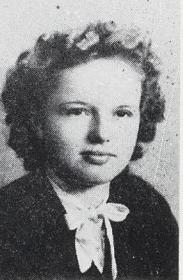
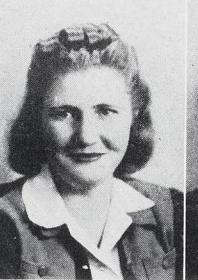
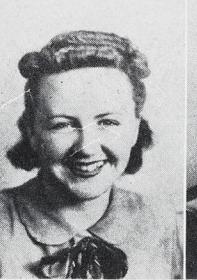
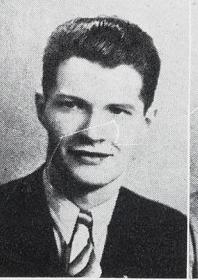
Band, Orchestra, Boys' Federation

**AYAKO NAITO**

Gold Seal Bearer, Girls' League

**PATTY NISHIMOTO**

Orchestra, Scholarship (1), Pan-  
American Forum, Girls' League  
Council



Noon Hour Overflow—

Finally on June 6th, the seniors held their assembly which brought tears and cheers from those attending. The program was in the spirit of farewell to all lower classmen and teachers. To many seniors, this assembly was their last as they will attend no other school. To the rest it was farewell to Madera High.

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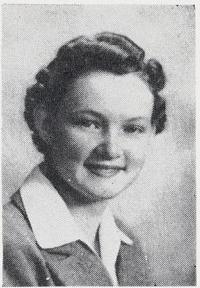
### THE LADY ADVISES

Miss Virginia Moore, senior class advisor for the last year of activities. The picture is posed, but the smile is specially for you.

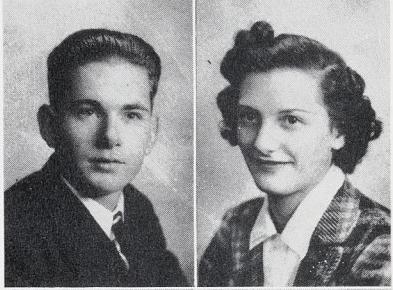
Seniors and their parents attended a spring fantasy on May 23. Music, dancing, moonlight and romance plus a short play were combined to make the Senior Reception a May Festival.

## 1941 Graduates

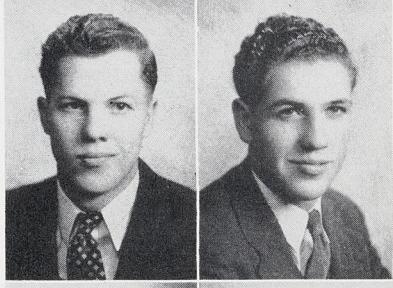
At Right:  
**MILDRED OLIVER**  
Girls' League  
First Row, L. to R.:  
**EVERY OVERGAARD**  
F.F.A. Treasurer, Dairy Judging Team, Boys' Federation  
**ANGIE PAGNI**  
Pan-American Forum, Mixed Chorus, G.A.A. Treasurer, Commissioner of Girls' Activities



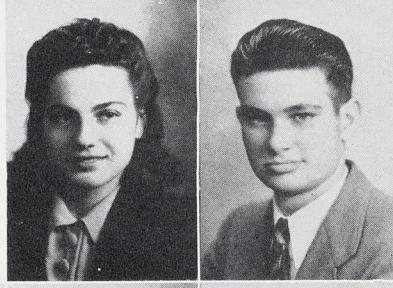
Second Row, L. to R.:  
**NORMAN PAVEY**  
Basketball, Football, Track, F.F.A.  
**WILLARD PAVEY**  
Football, Baseball, Track, Boys' Federation



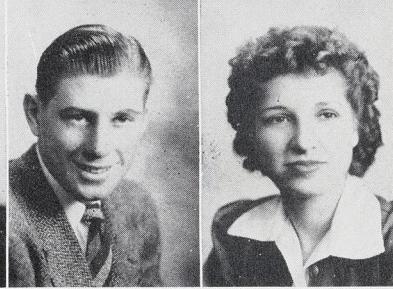
Third Row, L. to R.:  
**EMMA PAULINE RAGNETTI**  
Piano Recital, Girls' League  
**JACK A. RAMSEY**  
Band, Boys' Federation



Fourth Row, L. to R.:  
**BILL RECTOR**  
Football, Boys' Federation  
**WILLARD REED**  
Track, Boys' Federation  
**JAMES ROWLAND**  
Boys' Federation, Track, Boxing, F.F.A.



**ESTHER MARGARETTE SCHELL**  
Gold Seal Bearer, Orchestra, Girls' League  
**CHESTER SCHMIDT**  
Senior Class President (2), Commissioner of Boys' Activities, Football, Baseball



**EDITH MAE SCIACQUA**  
Drama Club, Melodettes, Commerce Club, Pan-American Forum  
Bottom Row, L. to R.:  
**MAGGIE SCOTT**  
Library, Girls' League  
**MIKE RICHARD SERRANO**  
Band, Orchestra, Boys' Federation  
**PAUL SIMONIAN**  
Band, Maderan, Football, Boys' Federation  
**EMILY SLATER**  
Pan-American Forum, Scholarship (4), Maderan, G.A.A.  
**ROBERT GODFREY SLATER**  
Swimming, Football, Tennis, Band  
**BETTY ANN SORENSEN**  
Pan-American Forum, Commerce Club, Scholarship (1), G.A.A.



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At Left:

**ERMA LEE SPINKS**  
Chorus, Scholarship (1), Girls' League

First Row, L. to R.:

**VIVIAN JULETA STALEY**  
Orchestra, Girls' League  
**COOLIDGE WILLARD STEPHENSON**  
Band, Basketball, Boys' Federation

Second Row, L. to R.:

**ALFRED FRED TAMBERI**  
Scholarship (3), Stage Manager, Boys' Federation  
**CLAYTON B. TAYLOR**  
Band, Boys' Federation

Third Row, L. to R.:

**JOE TORRES**  
Band, Varsityans, Boys' Federation  
**ELMO JOHN TURRI**

Fourth Row, L. to R.:

**SOLESE VALENZUELA**  
Operetta, Cafeteria, Girls' League, G.A.A.

**VIRGINIA GEORGIE VALENZUELA**  
Operetta, Girls' League  
**JOHANNA ELIZABETH VEATCH**  
**BERNARD WALL**

Track, Mixed Chorus, Boys' Federation

**PHILIP WARD**

Swimming, Football, Track, Band

**DOLLY WASHBURN**

Junior Play, Carnival Queen ('41), Thespian Secretary-Treasurer, Senior Class Secretary-Treasurer

Bottom Row, L. to R.:

**MINNILEE DORIS WILLIAMS**  
Writers' Club President, Junior Class Secretary, Operetta, Gold "M"

**MILDRED WILLIAMS**  
Thespian, Gold Seal Bearer, Drama Club President, Girls' League Council

**JESSE WILLINGHAM**  
Drama Club, Junior Play, Girls' League

**LEE WILSON**

Boys' Federation

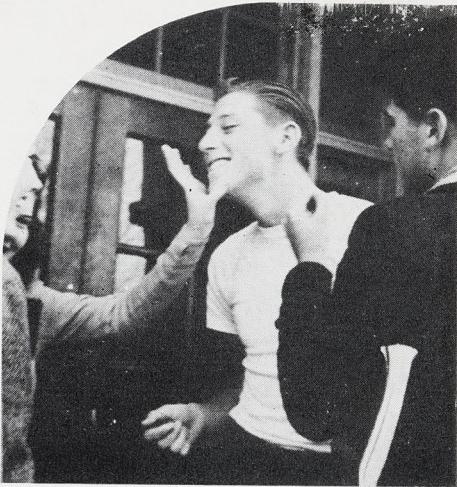
**THOMAS WOODS**

(Transfer from Central)

Boys' Federation

**VERDIE WRIGHT**

Girls' League



## In Memoriam

Agnes Bidegain . . . 1923-1940

Lucille Smith . . . 1921-1940

## Graduates Without Pictures:

**PETER RICHARD ANDERSON**  
Swimming Team, French Club, Boys' Federation

**BOBBY BENDERACH**

Track, Boys' Federation

**ARTHUR BURGESS**

Boys' Federation, French Club

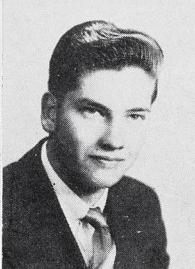
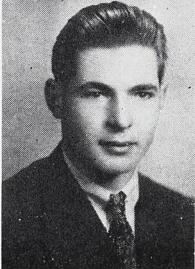
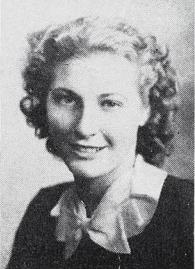
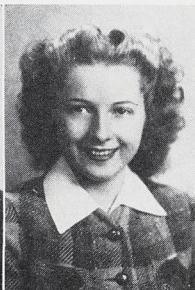
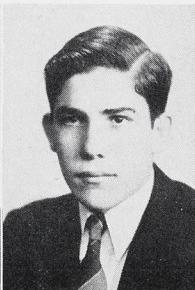
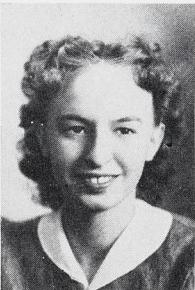
**ELTON EVERETT GRIGGS**

**HERMAN E. MARTIN**

**MAURICE DOMENIC RICCI**

**VERNIE ROBERTS**

**ANITA BELLE ROLLINS**



# Next Year's S



Row 1; D. Barnes, J. Durrett, W. Cain, W. Davis, B. Anderson, J. Arzate, A. Badella, H. Bear, J. Davis.

Row 2; B. Benning, L. Espinoza, M. Dermer, B. Allen, L. Fachner, H. Brown, V. Barbour, L. Church, A. Del Zotto.

Row 3; B. Conklin, M. Cobb, R. Carrell, C. Bell, B. Allen, M. Buckley, I. Collodi, M. Boitano, D. Crosson, C. De Lao.

Row 4; J. Chapman, C. Bare, B. Andrew, R. Espe, L. Boys, M. Bronzini, L. Failla, R. Cheek, R. Coltra, E. Armi, H. Conley.

"What a Life" isn't exactly the axiom most quoted by the junior class, but it is quoted when connected with their offering to the world of drama. Authored by Clifford Goldsmith, directed by Mr. Virgil Bergman, and presented to a full house both nights, this story of Henry Aldrich, his life and loves, was the junior class masterpiece. The two-night showing was inaugurated by the junior class and it proved to be a financial success.

Acting as class executive officers were: first semester; Raymond Ware, president; Walter Enos, vice president; Louise Hall, secretary; and Tommy Harkins, treasurer. Second semester; Charles Marklund, president; Bettylee Pinion, vice president; Maxine Cobb, secretary; and Edith Kleanth, treasurer. Acting as advisor, Mr. Wren, commercial instructor, has attempted to keep them headed in the right direction, and since he has been leading them for the past years, he is succeeding in his struggles.

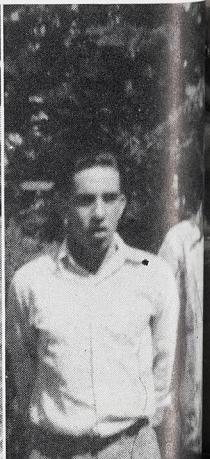
Following tradition, the Juniors planned the junior-senior prom, the last dance the seniors attend while they are still members of the student body. The theme was Hawaiian, the gym was transformed into a paradise of tropical plants, native huts, and grass skirts. Forming a musical background, Bill Dunch's orchestra from Fresno did its part to make the year's big formal event a huge success.

Row 1; V. Cereghino, T. Harkins, W. Hew, G. Jessing, E. Franco, J. Garthwaite, A. Hillgrove, B. Farnesi, M. Kinoshita, R. Flores, J. Juarez.

Row 2; L. Jones, M. Gong, B. Humphreys, L. Kirk, M. Hedges, N. Justice, E. Kilcrease, E. Kleanth, A. Frank.

Row 3; A. Kurisu, M. Hays, C. Funk, H. Gile, C. Honsinger, L. Harris, L. Hall.

Charles Marklund and Raymond Ware, class presidents second and first semesters respectively. Who wasn't being respectful, sir?



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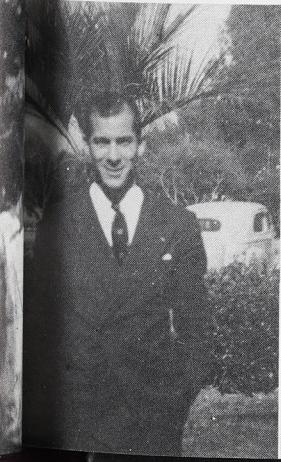
Row 1; G. Onwiler, D. O'Neil, R. Olsen, J. Lazzari, A. Mossios, B. Pinion, S. Larson, M. Martin. Row 2; E. Powers, A. Larson, L. Natera, C. Lopez, D. Martinez, M. Nilaido, A. Ratkovich, S. Mugnolo, G. Overgaard, M. Moreland. Row 3; G. Mastrofini, G. Mochizuki, C. Melton, B. Pistoresi, R. Miller, D. Firmalo, H. Niino, L. Nesmith, M. Minamoto, C. Marklund, M. Overgaard.



Row 1; M. Thompson, S. Spillane, E. Weaver, D. Severson, R. Rowand, J. Rushing, M. Robley, M. Snedigar. Row 2; R. Yauch, P. Wadley, E. Thede, G. Thede, E. Spies, M. Cowland, B. White, D. Wall. Row 3; H. Visconti, H. Soto, B. Young, R. Ware, B. Whitehead, L. Lesei, W. Rogers, J. Valderrama. Row 4; H. Sanchez, R. Thomas, P. Wright, A. Seibert, W. Reaves.

Mr. Rinaldo Wren, smiling in class adviser capacity. The picture also includes a cute palm head dress and a vehicle courtesy of a Willys enthusiast.

Row 1; W. Boring, L. Hones, M. Hemme, I. Brown, S. Cooper, L. Ballou, H. Munter, B. Owen, J. Pearson. Row 2; C. Honey, R. Rudel, T. Kelsey, J. Bowman, W. Enos, E. Allred, H. Sanchez, C. Wright, W. Thornton, G. Farias.





Row 1; V. Davis, J. Davis, D. Baldrica, A. Brown, M. Baledor, W. Brammer, E. Crane.  
Row 2; A. Brown, D. Catching, B. Bennett, B. Cane, M. Campbell, A. Coffland, R. Charles, M. Arnold, J. Burgess, J. Braucht.  
Row 3; G. Ahles, G. Batini, B. Cruz, E. Cruz, E. Alviso, T. Avina, R. Addington, A. Brown, L. Buckley, B. Brown.

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The class of 1943, under the head of their sponsor, Mrs. Donald G. Pitman, has downed two of their years of high school and is now ready for the last lap. Hanley Lynch and Al Sciacqua led their fellow classmen as first and second semester presidents. Nancy Lee Noble and Rea Morgan assisted as vice-presidents. First semester, Artye Stadille recorded all activity at class meetings as secretary and Kenneth Robbins took care of the cash. Nancy Lee Noble handled both jobs during the second semester.

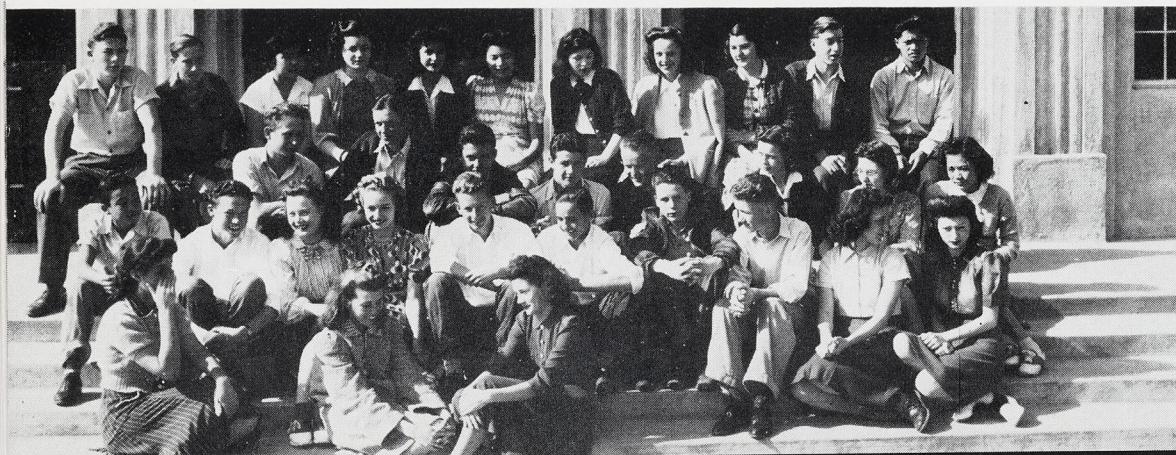
At the Purple and White Carnival, on January twelfth, the sophomore class sponsored a bingo game.

On January twenty-eighth, they presented the annual sophomore assembly in the form of a Truth and Consequences program. "Blackie" Lynch asked representatives from each class the questions, and Nancy Noble made those who didn't tell the truth, pay the consequences.

Row 1;  
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Row 2;

Row 1; A. Galleano, J. Evans, B. Fornesi.  
Row 2; R. Farias, R. Detherage, T. Dockery, M. Evans, M. Gaskin, L. Gotcher, B. Duguid, B. Gibbs, B. Boitano, B. Goeringer.  
Row 3; N. Hall, A. B. Doshier, L. Gendron, B. Elms, M. Engman,

L. Black, F. Barrett, A. Firmalo.  
Row 4; E. Harmon, A. Fraser, C. Dobashi, E. Giuntoli, T. Espinoza, M. DeLao, Z. Frederick, G. Hanhart, M. Dermer, R. De Santi, W. Gong.



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Mrs. Donald Pitman,  
soph class adviser. The  
smile is by courtesy of  
a cheerful person; the  
trees are courtesy of  
Mother Nature.

Row 1; E. Higuera, J. Hawes, L. Gomes, Y. Hirahara, C. Gutierrez, B. Martinez, M. Jones, A. Manfredi, D. Karahadian, R. Hutchison.  
Row 2; P. Maxim, T. Meadows, L. McCullough, S. Ivy, D. Holliday, B. Lynch, M. Kinoshita, B. Ishisaki, L. Bishel.

Row 3; E. List, J. Maxwell, M. Gamble, R. Frank, M. Douhan, J. Faso, R. Landucci, R. Martini, J. Kollman, F. Merck.  
Row 4; F. Logoluso, B. Harrell, R. Jobe, T. Lindemann, M. McCreight, R. Martin, H. Kilcrease, J. Hulsey, C. Miller.



Row 1; T. Parker, R. Morgan, M. Pearce, W. Lute, R. Ramsey, B. Mollica, F. Pirozzoli.  
Olsen, T. Niino.  
Row 2; A. Mullis, M. Nelson, L. Montgomery, J. Overgaard, L. Millhollen, E. McKee, R. Moore, T. Mills.

Row 3; F. Palacioz, J. Overgaard, N. Noble, H. Pearson, C. Pres-tidge, V. Millhollen, E. McKee, R. Moore, T. Mills.

Row 1; C. Ward, A. Sciacqua, G. Tipton, R. Taylor, C. Rogers, R. Silkwood, J. Thomasson, J. Romano, C. Soria, T. Valdivia.  
Row 2; J. Veatch, C. Ridgeway, A. Stadille, L. Pohl, J. Smith, D. Viglierchio, V. Valorosi, G. Shipp, V. Radoicich, R. Rowland.

Row 3; S. Sanchez, N. Rudel, M. Poletti, I. Pike, R. Thede, K. Robbins, B. Richards, J. Weathers, D. Thomas, W. Smith, H. Whitley.



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Row 1; I. Bellinghieri, A. Bella, T. Clayton, B. Chevrone, D. Chapman, J. Busca.  
Row 2; K. Bragg, E. Bosquez, R. Adame, D. Curry, L. Cook.  
Row 3; T. Breitwieser, R. Chamberlain, M. Campos, F. Bowers,

A. Clark, P. Bosworth, R. Amyx, M. Absher, O. Calhoun, E. Allen, N. Campos, V. Bays.  
Row 4; L. Aquine, O. Boyce, I. Abercrombie, I. Cassle, S. Brown, M. Chacon, E. Clare.

So sorry to infer, dear freshmen, but you did smell overripe or a wee bit unlike something by Chanel. But it's all just a state of growing up, folks—a little matter of Freak Day, the second week of school and the kids had the spirit all right! From pink toe to the top of the hair that momie let them curl for high school, the first-yearers were really decked out for the Sophomores revenge!

But with the utter simplicity of youth (the Seniors have lost it, children) the Freshmen forgave the sophs for their initiation and learned about the school's great social night life at the Frosh-Soph reception.

As babes of our school, they strutted off with an honorable mention certificate for their booth at the carnival while their candidate for queen, Nanette Nelson, was runner-up to the senior queen.

They played a snappy game of volleyball with the faculty and ended up on the short end of a close score.

Not to be downed by little defeats or a supposedly enforced feeling of inferiority, the freshmen gave a return party for the sophomore class.

Two-term class president was Huette Lowry with George Ocheltree and Bobby Dowe acting as vice-pres. Nanette Nelson and Francis Miller took up secretarial duties while Esther Lucki and Ella Rose Clare held the little money bag. Mr. Art Sarna advised.

Row 1; S. Graham, B. Flum, D. Gottfredson, D. Ganse, A. Gutierrez, B. Easterbrook.  
Row 2; S. Hays, L. Fracchia, J. Garthwaite, B. Hartse'l, N. Go.

Row 3; C. Foster, M. DaSilva, E. Gurrola, M. Harrell.  
Row 4; L. Engman, C. Del Gado, L. DaSilva, J. Gutierrez, D. Flores, I. Gomes, J. Allen, D. Hartwick, B. Hubbard, A. Garner, Z. Harrell.

Huette Lowry, two-term a.s. freshman chief executive. Hand on hips, please! Ladies, please don't crowd!



*at Beginners*



Row 1; K. Moss, G. Hummer, E. Loquaci, M. French, J. Chunn, C. La Mattina, E. McKnight, G. Kirby, D. Keith.  
Row 2; E. Neal, B. Knadler, H. Lowry, J. Inami, M. Lopez, F. Morgan, C. Kelley, S. Marquez, P. Poole, A. Loth, P. Hollister, N. Martinelli, C. Marquez.

Row 3; N. Lana, J. Koch, T. Hughes, C. King, L. Lotz, A. Moore, E. Kast, D. Freeman, D. Lowery, W. Moten, C. Luchasie, C. Montoya.  
Row 4; J. Lute, A. Kirk, I. Bradshaw, K. Mariscotti, E. Kellingsworth, F. Martini.



Row 1; A. Manfredi, F. Miller, N. Nelson, B. Moore, B. Richards, B. Powell, V. Prosperi, A. Serrano, D. Telfer.  
Row 2; E. Porter, K. Mitchell, L. Miller, B. Rogers, K. Leach, G. Ocheltree, A. Kentera, B. Payne, N. Paradosas, J. Matthews, B. Scott, K. Smith, D. Ward, R. Roberts.  
Row 3; B. Poole, S. Rodriguez, M. Ramirez, F. Molina.  
Row 4; F. Russell, I. Meek, B. Munter, C. Root, B. Row, P. Pollos, A. Reed, M. McNabb, B. McNeil, E. Lucki, D. Natali.

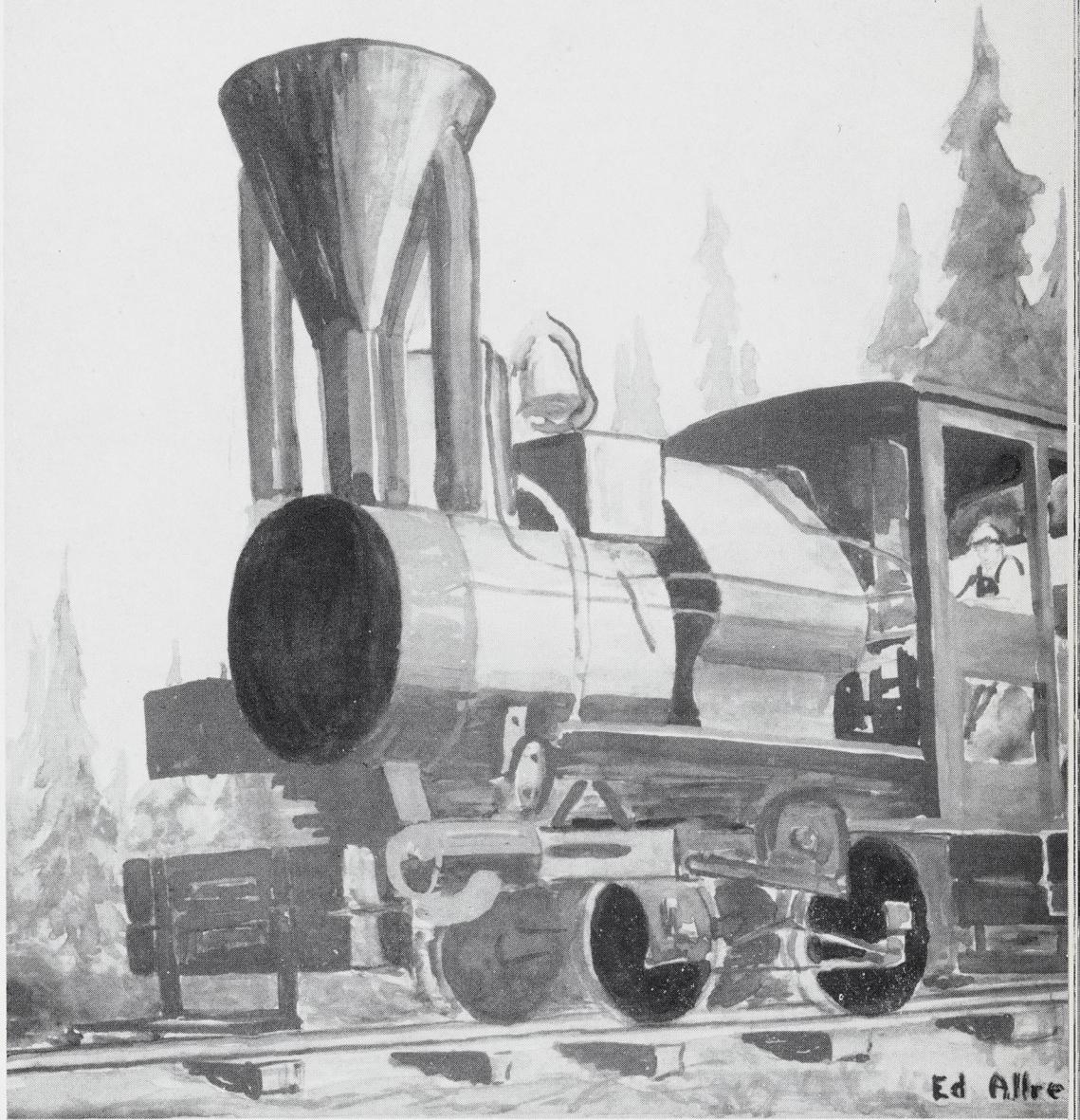
Mr. Arthur Sarna advised the new frosh through their first year here. Mr. S. can also laugh and smile!

Row 1; B. Potter, D. Murphy, C. Wall, D. Wilson, J. Washburn, W. Stoetzel.  
Row 2; V. Tabor, L. Wattenbargern, M. Westcott, D. Poletti, K. Wright, L. Reaves.

Row 3; L. Spera, E. Ruiz, K. Williams, D. Wheeler, A. Torres, R. Spies, B. Rubio, R. Wall, B. Redden.  
Row 4; K. Williams, W. Tune, J. Scott, D. Wright, H. Snowden, A. Zamora, L. Zapata, R. Woo, P. Ryan, L. Triplett, G. Walters.



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A-L

Row 1; D. Barnes, M. Cobb, M. Arnold, M. Campbell, L. Inami, F. Hirahara, M. Kobayashi, E. Freeman.  
Row 2; K. Bear, W. Barr, L. Hall, H. Bergren, D. Karahadian, A. Kurisu, Y. Goto, S. Larsson.  
Row 3; D. Cobb, D. Boria, J. Garthwaite, W. Hall, R. Jobe, B. Clark, G. Lynch, P. Lanningham.



M-Z

Row 1; M. Tipton, W. Petty, P. Wadley, A. Stoetzel, M. Thompson, G. Overgaard, E. Pedroncelli, A. Naito.  
Row 2; J. Braucht, M. Martin, D. Ventura, P. Maxim, V. Secara, J. Overgaard, L. Montgomery, M. Nelson, T. Mills.  
Row 3; H. Niino, D. Viglierchio, R. Thede, A. Tambari, R. Ware, R. Montgomery, M. Williams, M. C. Murphy, D. Secara.

## California Scholarship Federation

Shining little faces, brilliant little minds, ones on report cards—then scholarship. Six semesters a member, little gold seals on diplomas, and the peak of achievement is reached. Oh, such is the way the school's laymen look on the master minds who belong to the local chapter of the California Scholarship Federation, but the members tell a tale of studying.

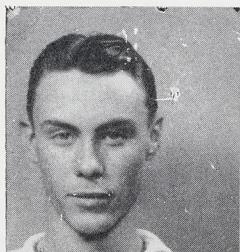
Besides this diligent digging in books for the gleam of knowledge, such problems as raising fifty dollars for the annual senior scholarship present themselves before the honorary students. This year the money was raised by sponsoring refreshment concessions.

at the Armistice Day Celebration and assisting Boys' Federation in promoting the annual Punch Bowl which ran for two nights this year.

A pot luck supper was held prior to the midterm inaugural ceremonies and initiation of new recruits. Don Cobb, first semester leader, turned his gavel over to Reba Montgomery who served as second semester chief executive of the federation.

Miss Florence Antone held the advisory position, assisted by Mr. O. D. Smith. The advisory committee was composed of Mrs. Bonita Maloy and Mr. James Arnold.

**Donn Cobb**  
First Semester Executive



**Reba Montgomery**  
Spring Term President



## *Gold Seal Bearers*



Miss Florence Antone  
New Honor Student Adviser



Row 1; M. Schell, D. Venturi, M. Hummer, M. Tipton, E. Freeman, C. Olono, M. Kobayashi.  
Row 2; M. C. Murphy, P. Laningham, G. Lynch, D. Cobb, W. Hall, B. Clark, M. Williams,  
K. Bear.

California Scholarship Federation gold seals are not merely honors that pass in the night, but rather, are permanent evidence of high scholastic standards maintained by their bearer throughout his high school career.

This year more than a dozen graduating seniors have the distinction of being known as life members of this state honorary society and will be awarded the special gold seals on their di-

plomas. Likewise, they have been awarded the life membership pin.

After five semesters on the scholarship roll a student earns his small chapter pin and after six semesters he becomes a gold seal bearer providing one of the six semesters on the roll has been in his senior year.

## *Second Semester Honor Students*

M-Z  
Row 1; E. Loquaci, C. Wright, D. Viglierchio, A. Tomberl, F. Logiuso, J. Davis.  
Row 2; M. Ocheltree, M. Martin, A. Stoetzel, M. Tipton, L. Montgomery, J. Overgaard, P. Wadley, W. Petty, T. Mills, A. Mickelsen.  
Row 3; R. Thede, D. Venturi, A. Naito, R. Montgomery, C. Olono, C. Wall, R. Walls, V. Scara, P. Maxim, M. Williams, M. Nelson.



A-L  
Row 1; M. Cobb, D. Barnes, G. Lynch, E. Freeman, M. Kobayashi, Y. Goto, S. Hays, S. Larson.  
Row 2; S. Cooper, N. Jessen, A. Kurisu, M. Campbell, Y. Hirahara, M. Hays.  
Row 3; P. Laningham, M. Arnold, J. Braucht, L. Black, R. Barrett, K. Bear, D. Karahadian.  
Row 4; J. Inami, M. Kinoshita, J. Garthwaite, W. Hall, R. Jobe, D. Cobb.





**Mary Grace Leggett**  
Year Executive

**Mr. Virgil Bergman**  
Adviser

Row 1; M. Williams, M. G. Leggett, D. Washburn  
Row 2; V. Bergman, K. Gill, A. Halloran, M. C. Murphy

## Thespians

The local Thespian troupe has made application to the office of the National Thespian Dramatic Honor Society to become affiliated with this organization. There are only ten chapters in all of California, however, at the time the Purple and White went to press, word had been received by Mr. Bergman asking for charter names.

Should the local chapter of Thespians be accepted into

the national organization, the future membership would be according to merit system established by the national office.

Mr. Virgil Bergman, new dramatics advisor, did much to import new ideas and enthusiasm into the dramatic group. Mary Grace Leggett acted as president during the entire year.

## Drama Club

"All the world's a stage and all the men and women merely players . . ." so goes the famous line written by one Mr. Shakespeare several hundred years ago. Keeping in mind this time worn adage, it was decided, with the beginning of the new school year, to provide a stage for the would-be actors and actresses of Madera Union High School. This stage found shape, both literally and figuratively, in the formation of the Drama club.

Feeling a need for an organization for those who were interested in all phases of the theatre, the Drama club was officially launched the eighth day of October, 1940, with Mr. Virgil Bergman as adviser. Prior to this first meeting tryouts were held for all those interested in becoming mem-

bers. Selections, chosen by Mr. Bergman, were read by each prospective future dramatist.

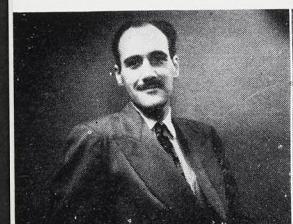
Special projects in make-up were undertaken after a series of illustrated lectures on the art of make-up given by Mr. Bergman.

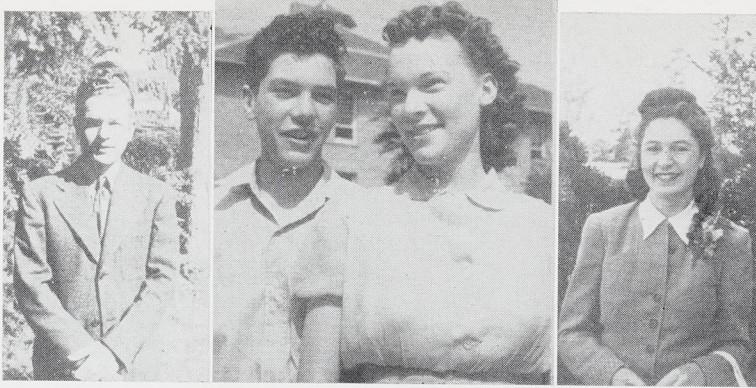
The high light of the clubs activities came the last week in February when thirty-five members from the club went to see "Romeo and Juliet" at the Pacific Little Theatre in Stockton, California. After the popularity of this trip was established, it was hoped that this might be the first of an annual custom for the Drama club to visit one outstanding play each year.

**Mr. Virgil Bergman**  
Adviser

**Mildred Williams**  
President

Row 1; A. Halloran, A. Moosios, M. Tipton, G. Benjamin, S. Mugnolo, P. Ryan, L. Watchmann, M. Gamble, B. Pinion, D. Barnes, J. Braucht  
Row 2; V. Barbour, M. C. Murphy, D. Venturi, M. Buckley, N. Noble, M. Dermer, G. Onwiler, B. J. Goode, L. Montgomery, G. Hanhart, B. Allen, G. Wilcox  
Row 3; K. Gill, H. Munter, K. Foster, A. Tameeri, M. G. Leggett, R. Montgomery, D. Mendoza, C. Wright, F. Jones, J. Garthwaite  
Row 4; E. Kleanth, L. Hall, M. Nelson, J. Overgaard, M. Williams, L. Black, E. Sciacqua, C. Birch, B. J. Allen, E. R. Clare, G. Hummer





Mr. Bernard Woods, club sponsor, looks a bit bashful while Roland Yaucht and Nellie Jessen, first and second semester presidents respectively, offer a cheerful look for posterity. Miss Virginia Moore is a sponsor also.

## Commercial Club

Future stenographers, private secretaries, and business men comprised the membership list of the Commerce Club. This year a great improvement was achieved by the combination of the separate Boys' and Girls' Commerce Clubs of the previous years into one.

Being members of this club, these commercial students found themselves more interested and began to gain knowledge of the business world. Becoming commercially minded they sponsored the first typing contest. It was opened to the beginners and advance typing students. Three awards were given to the winners of each group. A plaque had the winners' names engraved upon it. Upon its success the club decided to make this as an annual event.

One time the boys preferred to date under-weighted girls was for the Annual Christmas Dance sponsored by the club. This year they used a new method of admission price which was a great novelty. Couples or stags were weighed and were charged one-fifth a cent per pound. "For the pause that refreshes" a booth was main-

tained by the club at all football games. Soft drinks, hot dogs, and candy were on their selling list.

The group enjoyed a field trip in Fresno, visiting various business houses and large concerns. They saw demonstrated the use and function of business machines and other office equipment.

George L. Hassfield, ten times world champion typist, exhibited his talent at Madera Union High School to the commercial students and also those who are taking typing. Commercial faculty members and students from Kerman and Chowchilla High Schools also witnessed the exhibition.

A pot luck supper was held for the installation of officers and initiation of new members. Outgoing president was Roland Yaucht, who held the position for two semesters, and the new president was Nellie Jessen.

The active year ended with a gala-afternoon at Roeding Park which is an annual picnic. Miss Virginia Moore and Mr. Bernard Woods sponsored the club through its successful year.

Row 1; G. Mochizuki, H. Bear, H. Sanchez, E. Giuntoli, G. Overgaard, R. Yauch, L. Church, H. Dal Cerro, L. Wachtman

Row 2; E. Sciaqua, E. Franco, B. Farnesi, J. Overgaard, G. Brooks, N. Jessen, J. Durrett, A. Frank, B. Woods

Row 3; E. Laine, C. Birch, D. Boria, C. Haney, B. Pistoresi, G. Jessing, A. Delzotto, E. Armi, M. Dobashi

Row 4; A. Da Costa, A. Unti, D. Ventura, K. Bear, W. Barr, M. Gamble, E. List, M. Farnesi, B. Farnesi, A. Mullis





Miss Florence Antone, sponsor, supports Raymond Ware, president, and Marion Tipton, vice-president, on the left while Miss Annabel Hall, sponsor, supports them from the right.

## Pan American Student Forum

The flags are out! Local senors, señoritas and sencritas flash beaming smiles as they learn to extend a hand across the border to our Latin American neighbors. Nearly a hundred members of the Madera Chapter 56 of the Pan American Student Forum have been learning the principles of friendlier relations among the Americas during the last year.

Formed for this purpose, the Pan-American forum is of national scope with separate state and community organizations. By developing a sympathetic understanding of relations between the two Americas in its own community the chapter is able to educate students for better world citizenship.

Backed by such a worthy principle, the local chapter has been very active during the past year

in an effort to put itself definitely on the map of high school activities. A formal installation of officers followed by initiation of new members led off the organization's activities at the beginning of the fall term.

Next, came a rousing ticket sales drive for a movie sponsored by the group at the Rex Theater. In addition to the movie, members of P.A.S.F. staged a program of varied Spanish dances and songs which they have learned in connection with Pan-American work. After their performance in the theater the group enjoyed a party given by the losing team in the ticket sales drive. The sponsoring of this movie, a Spanish film, was one of the financial successes undertaken by the group to help back the state convention held here April 25 and 26.

Row 1; L. Sampos, J. Burgess, M. Farnesi, L. Alviso, D. Firmalo, B. Allen, E. Crane, C. De Lao  
Row 2; G. Fuller, C. Del Sadi, L. Espinoza, M. Campos, B. Allen, A. Cereghino, E. Flores, A. Firmalo,  
M. De Lao, E. Alviso

Row 3; E. Franco, E. Armi, M. Douhan, M. Engman, K. Foster, W. Dann, E. Clark, A. Clark, E. Armstrong, B. Farnesi





Row 1; A. Garcia, H. Laurenzana, A. Lollich, A. Larson, M. Hayes, H. Gonzole, M. Martinez, D. Martinez, Y. Hirahara

Row 2; N. Martinelli, A. Halloran, L. Engman, S. Larson, B. Espinoza, R. Montgomery, M. Murphy, N. Jessen,

C. Lopez, B. Martinez

Row 3; A. Hall, G. Moxhizuki, W. Hew, J. Kentera, F. Jones, J. Garthwaite, F. Lease, B. Ishisaki, C. Furk, S. Marquez

## Pan American Student Forum

Although the convention was the organization's biggest event during the year, other activities which made the convention financially possible preceded the big event and required diligent working on the part of members and advisors.

March 21 marked the date of the Faculty-Varsity basketball game which Pan-American sponsored. Although the varsity came out on the short side of the score by two points, the sponsoring organization was pleased by the financial success of the event.

This group took time out from their conven-

tion preparations to present an assembly for the entire school. The program consisted of South American dances, group singing, soloists and a short comedy skit which brought laughter from the audience which was enjoying the Pan-American mood.

Social occasions within the group included an initiation ceremony for new members in February and frequent pot luck suppers accompanied by short business meetings.

Miss Annabel Hall and Miss Florence Antone held joint advisory positions during the past year.

Row 1; B. Sorensen, C. Olorri, V. Secara, L. Triplett, M. Tipton, S. Stall, A. Stadille, L. Pohl

Row 2; F. Antone, A. Pagni, H. Sanchez, R. Thede, C. Ridgeway, G. Tipton, J. Washburn, N. Lemmon

E. Ruiz, C. Clayton



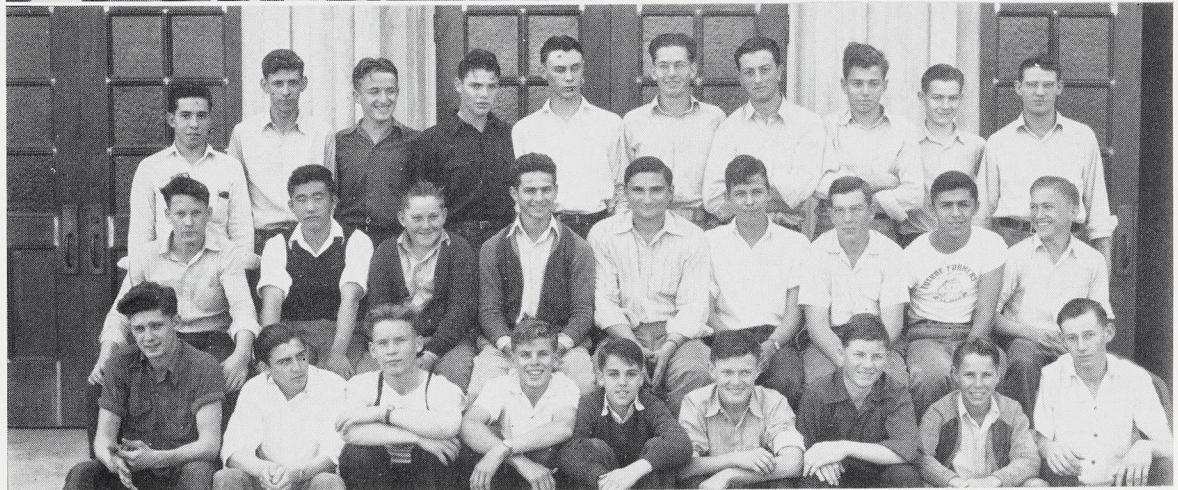
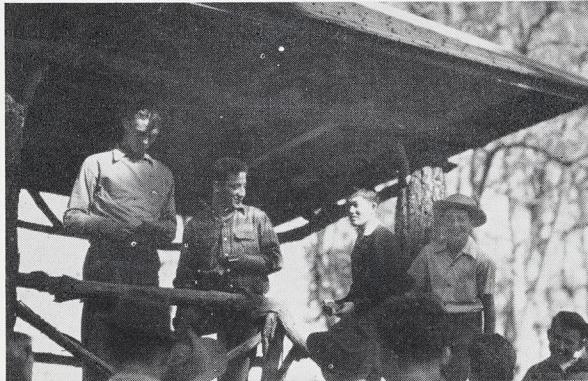
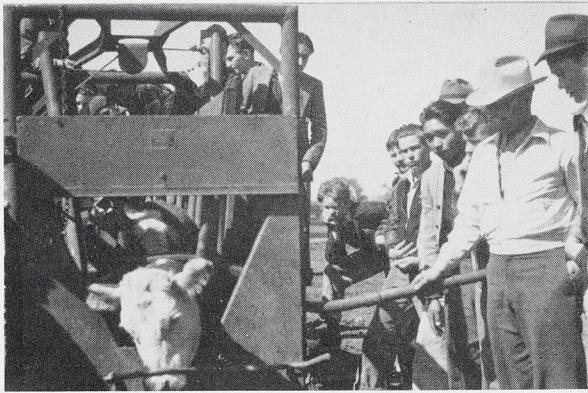
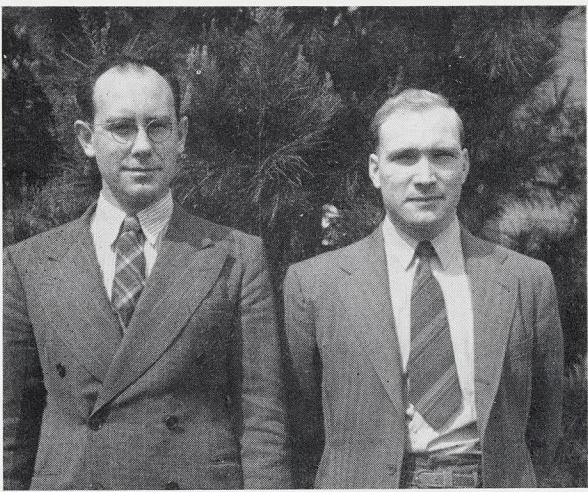
## *Future Farmers*

Learning to do, doing to learn, earning to live, living to serve is the purpose of the boys who make up the membership list of the Future Farmers of America while they are learning in their high school course to take over the duties of the greatest industry in existence, that of agriculture.

Carrying out this motto, members of the organization were off to a big start when they walked away with five places at the State Fair last fall. President Don Cobb received special recognition when his animal being exhibited crowded out entries from all over the state to become the Grand Champion Hereford Steer. Avery Overgaard placed second in Holstein entries while Madera's livestock judging team composed of Carroll Bare, Mancel Ocheltree and Chet Ridgeway captured top honors in its division.

The county Fair brought an opportunity for further triumphs for the farm boys. The Madera lads placed first in all the livestock divisions and took over \$700 in prize money to be applied in improving and enlarging upon their projects.

In a vine pruning contest between Fresno and Madera Counties, Bill Longatti won a third place for the Madera Chapter while two other boys, Elvin Davis and Gilbert Mastofini also entered.



Row 1; C. Absher, J. Matthews, A. Cox, B. Scott, G. Ocheltree, R. Brown, M. Rogers, R. Leoch, C. Moore.  
Row 2; B. Mayhew, T. Goto, C. Muller, W. Gomes, P. Pollos, E. Powers, D. Davis, G. Farias, L. Forrester.  
Row 3; C. Marklund, W. L. Horton, J. Dooley, L. Gordon, D. Cobb, A. Overgaard, B. Longatti, M. Overgaard, C. Bare, A. Seibert.

## Future Farmers

Because all work and no play would make the boys slightly dull, the all-masculine organization again held their annual Father-Son banquet in the cafeteria. Over 175 fathers, sons, young farmers and business men attended and afterwards spread rumors around that they enjoyed the best chicken dinner ever served.

The annual barn dance, fastly becoming one of the school's really "Big Events" of the year, was given by the farmer group on March 7. Tommy Smith's Rainbow orchestra was a special attraction, along with the farmy decorations the boys spread round. From authentic barrels, they served cider, supplemented by doughnuts and cokes.

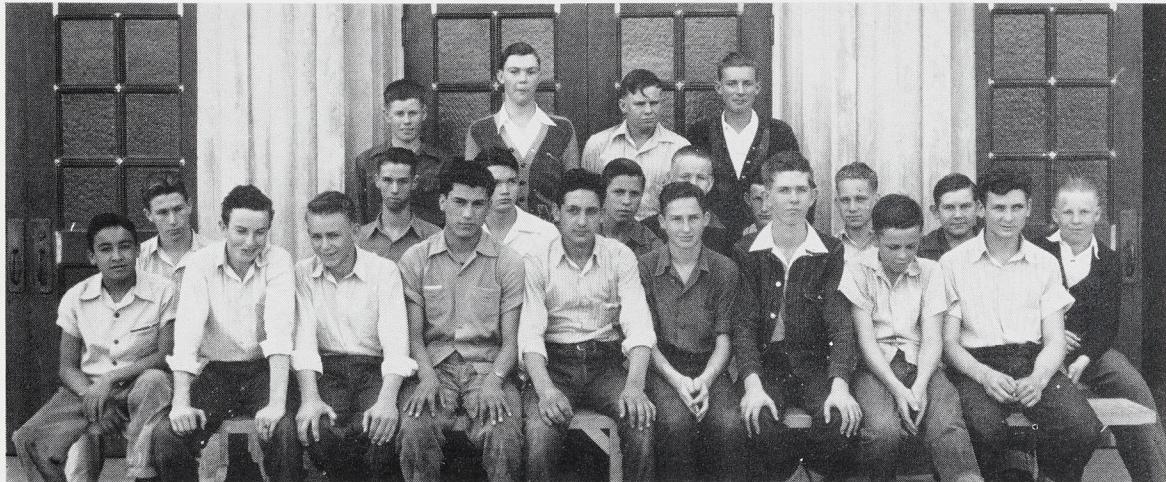
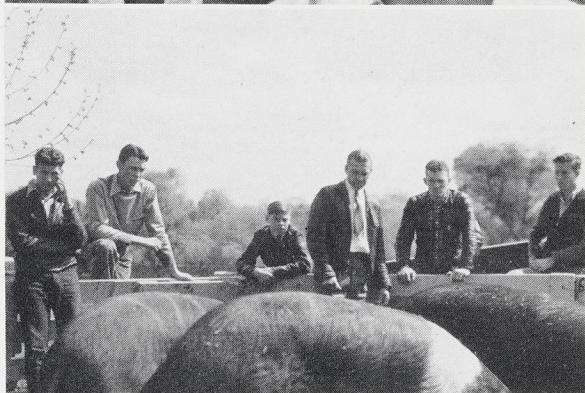
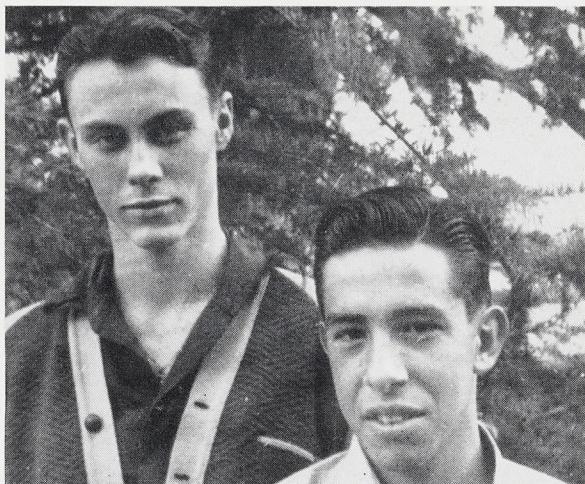
Entertaining the school in general assembly was another F.F.A. activity. Mr. Ed Griswold's brother, George Griswold, from Hanford high school and who is recognized as a state farmer, spoke to the students with a quiz program completing the program.

Future Farmers not only raise hogs and cattle, but enter public speaking contests. This year in a contest with Fresno students, Charles Marklund brought home third place honors.

Madera Field Day, held at the Adobe Ranch, saw about 350 boys from Fresno, Merced, Modesto, and Tulare gather together in mutual farming interests. Judging contests were held for hogs, beef and cattle.

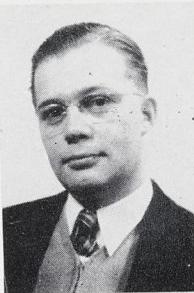
On May 2 the Future Farmers invited the public and student body to attend their annual livestock show on the football field. Stock shown there offered concrete evidence of hard work and applied knowledge on the part of the young farmers who raised the animals.

Row 1; R. Farias, S. Ivy, B. Bennett, J. Torres, J. Faso, C. Ridgeway, R. Morgan, R. Silkwood, R. Ramsey.  
Row 2; M. Douthon, J. Thomasson, K. Robbins, A. Laney, Engman, R. Godfrey, D. Wall, B. Lane, T. Fachner.  
Row 3; C. Rogers, M. Ocheltree, J. Davis, A. Langden.





Sitting; J. Garthwaite, J. Garthwaite, H. Brown, R. Ware, B. Anderson  
Standing; D. Poletti, B. Munter, G. Lynch, H. Munter, D. Williams, H. Sanchez, N. Kilcrease



**Mr. Fred Drake**  
Club Originator and Adviser

## Writers' Club

The pen, the paper, the ink, the inspiration—oh, yes, the inspiration must come next, dear friends of the Writers' Club. Who knows? Perhaps a Cervantes, an O. Henry, or a Benchley will emerge from the membership roll of this club to claim his place in literary society!

In such a club, fostered by creative instincts, is found the fruit of all its labors—the magazine called "Inklings" which makes its annual debut in the spring months. In the magazine are found the choice works of Madero's future geniuses—or at least the work of those sincerely interested in writing prose or poetry.

Contributions for the magazine come from the entire student body and their authors do not necessarily have to be on the roll call of the club, for the purpose of this organized literary circle is to encourage all students interested in literature by publishing a magazine worthy of the school.

Members of the club financed the magazine by selling ad space and sponsoring noon and after game dances. Doris Williams and Raoul de Vere held the editor's chair first and second semesters respectively. Mr. Fred Drake advised.

## Marquee Club

Lights out, curtain going up! The old call of the theater comes and the stage crew can be recognized as members of the Marquee Club, busily learning the ropes of stage management since the club's organization during this last semester.

Formerly the Projectors' Club, which dealt almost exclusively with motion pictures and screen equipment, the new Marquee Club becomes known as a service organization.

Sponsored by Mr. Edwin Decker, the club has an opportunity to study techniques of visual education and stage management as well as motion pictures.

During the winter months the club sponsored noon movies once a week for ten weeks. Tickets sold two for a nickel and enabled about 200 students each performance to see cartoons, comedies, sports, and educational pictures. They have projected sound and silent pictures for classes and clubs an average of ten hours per week during the school year.

In addition to movie projection work, members of the club have constructed slides for songs and yell and have assisted on the stage during plays and assemblies.

Standing; M. Gaskin, R. Thede, D. Boria, B. Harrell, B. Poole, G. Hummer, J. Whitaker  
Sitting; M. Westcott, E. Decker, Advisor, W. Stoetzel, W. Boring

**Mr. Erwin Decker**  
Adviser and Founder of Group





Row 1; R. Spies, D. Karahadian, A. Brown, G. Benjamin, G. Lynch, G. Mann, E. Lucki,

Z. Frederick, S. Upton, M. Gaskin

Row 2; J. Krayenbuhl, A. Halloran, J. Smith, M. Settle, M. Dermer, D. Secara, N. Noble,

G. Saburit, D. Gottfedson

Row 3; H. Sanchez, R. De Vere, B. Lynch, L. Gendron, J. Chapman, R. Martinez, D. Catching,

K. Bear, W. Brammer, G. Hanhart

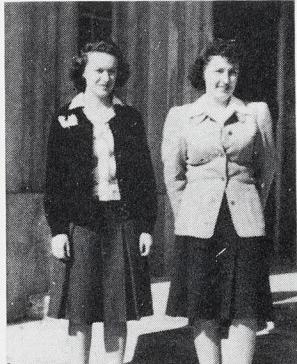
## French Club

Concentrating just as much on their social activities as on their French vocabularies, the French Club left other clubs in the dust.

Winning the sweepstakes award at the Purple and White Carnival for the third consecutive year, the club received the greatest honor—the gold cup. At the carnival the French Cafe filled the atmosphere with Parisian night club life decorated with wintry scenery of a ski hut. It was the center of attraction, drawing people's attention like a magnet.

Featuring a dramatization of a "Radio Broadcast From Paris," these ambitious students showed their French talent before the assembly.

The club took an evening off on May 2 at the Women's Improvement Club for a "Soiree a Paris." Just entering the door they knew that they were in the gaiety of Paris with its bright lights and sweet strains of French music. The high-lights of the evening were native refreshments and an informal dance.



Margaret Hummer  
and Nancy Lee  
Noble  
Club Presidents

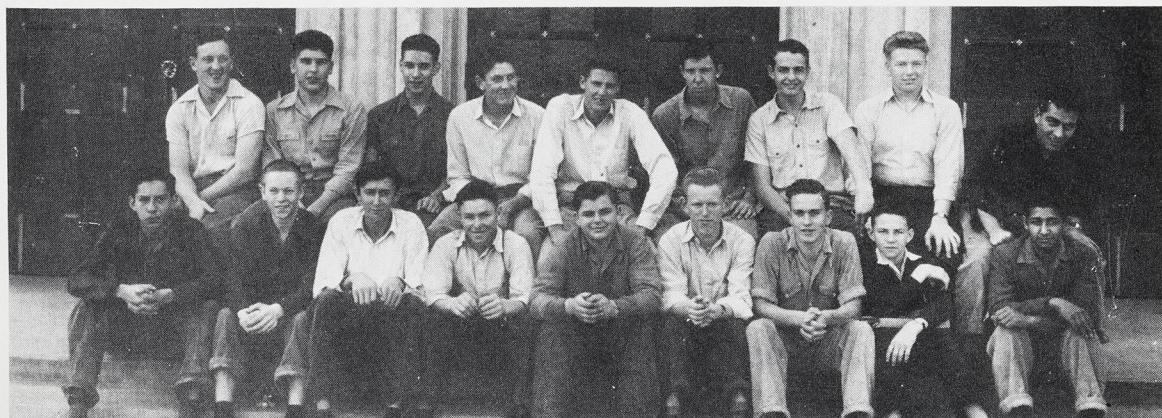


Miss Elva Turner  
New Adviser

The boys have accomplished their skill in shooting from various positions. Out of the skilled shooters the best shots are Bob Mariscotti, Art Burgess, and David Jones. Since there are rifles enough for five persons, only these boys practice shooting at one time. While five boys are using their eyes on the target, the rest of the company is taking either military drill or marching.

Another thing of importance along the line of national defense was military maneuvers. The main rule that the members followed was the handling and shooting of firearms safely.

Mr. Ross Kinney  
Local Founder



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# Purple and White



**Mrs. Donald Pitman**  
Yearbook Adviser  
And oh, the worries involved!

Working at top speed to produce an annual of super qualities, the Purple and White staff delivered a busy second semester to writing copy, taking pictures, making page layouts and otherwise working on the book.

The first semester the yearbook activity was confined to a committee of seniors who were Anne Halloran, Pat Lanningham, Lucille Murphy, Craig Smith, and Gertrude Lynch, Chairman. This committee was in charge of the annual carnival, the selection of the staff, and the early plans for the yearbook.

Choosing lumber for the theme, the staff gloried the boom time of the city of Madera when the Madera Sugar Pine Lumber Company was running its mill, and sending raw lumber down the famous flume

to the seasoning yards in Madera. Long dead, the mill, the flume and the lumber still remain in the minds of the old timers, and so the staff felt they should leave something substantial to this memory.

Under the able editorship of Gertrude Lynch, the staff consisted of Pat Lanningham, associate editor; Kenneth Gill, business manager; Merrill Jean Thompson, junior associate editor; Anne Halloran, classes editor; Kenneth Foster, sales manager; Craig Smith, advertising manager; Fumiko Hirahara and Mary Kobayashi, front section; Lucille Murphy, activities editor; Angie Unti and Jewel Harris, organizations; Jean Krayenbuhl, snaps editor, and Robert Ford, sports editor. The adviser for the book was Mrs. Donald Pitman.

**Gertrude Lynch**  
Editor



**Pat Lanningham**  
Associate Editor

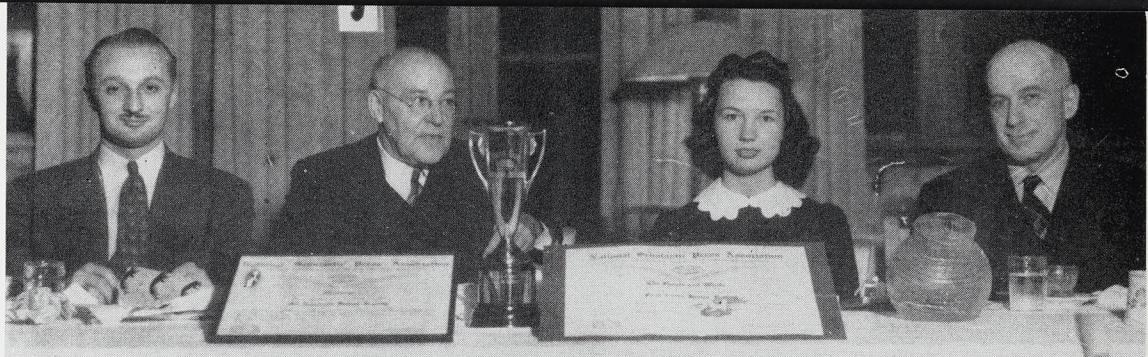


**Kenneth Gill**  
Business Manager



Row 1; K. Gill, A. Halloran, M. Kobayashi, K. Foster, F. Hirahara, A. Unti, M. Thompson  
Row 2; J. Krayenbuhl, G. Lynch, C. Smith, R. Cain, J. Harris, P. Lanningham, L. Murphy





## *Publications in Production*

Up in the top row we have some journalism "big wigs" surrounding a rather frightened amateur. The occasion is the annual press banquet. Mr. Sarna, Mr. Buel, Fresno Bee cartoonist, Gertrude Lynch and Mr. Clark, editor of the Madera Tribune, flanked the head table. Mrs. Pitman, annual adviser, was unable to attend. The next row shows advertising manager and adviser conversing on matters of business.

The slightly slap happy group on the right is composed of students elected by the senior class to direct activities before the year-book class began. Below are a couple of students directing the photography schedule.

In the last picture the book is in the hands of its readers. The staff and adviser certainly hope that it meets with your approval. After all, gray hair grew because of this dear book. May posterity appreciate it.



## *Publication in Production*

The reporter interviews, the adviser checks, and the typist types before the real worry begins in the production of a paper. Then, to a print shop down in the next row where students type last minute stories, check galley proofs, and page proofs.

Next the paper goes to the readers, who, in this case, seem to be in a gym class. They look deeply engrossed in the reading process, but they are probably searching through the gossip column first of all.

Below are three students viewing special editions put out by the staff. These were numerous during the year. This picture also appeared in a national magazine along with an article on Maderan activities.

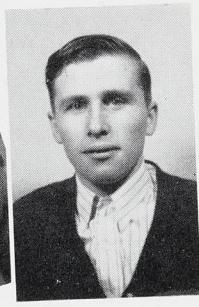
All of the work depicted is the foundation of this All-American rated paper.



Row 1; A. Halloran, B. Pinion, D. Barnes, H. Dal Cerro, G. Mochizuki, B. Allen, A. Unti  
 Row 2; M. Cobb, P. Laningham, J. Kravenbuhl, N. Jessen, E. Slater, L. Murphy, D. Davis  
 Row 3; B. David, H. Sanchez, F. Jones, R. Cain, H. Munter, F. Lease, B. Young, J. B. Lynch



**Gertrude Lynch**  
Fall Editor



**Roy Cain**  
Business Manager



**Pat Laningham**  
Spring Co-Editor



**Angie Unti**  
Spring Co-Editor

Winning the highest possible honor, that of All-American, in the National Scholastic Press Association contest, the Maderan added laurels to its name for the second consecutive year. Superior and excellent were received in all twenty-five divisions of the paper for a total of 1170 points in a contest in which approximately 1800 school papers were entered.

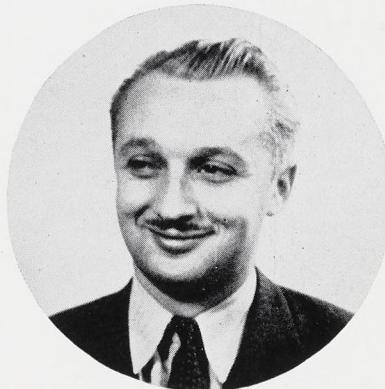
To further carry out this high recognition the Maderan received an All-Star rating for the first time at the Spring San Joaquin Valley Scholastic Press Association convention held at Fresno State. At the same convention special honor certificates from the Alpha Phi Gamma journalistic fraternity were awarded Nellie Jessen, Vernie Roberts and Gertrude Lynch.

Journalism students really enjoyed moving to their new editorial room. From here they prepared such outstanding special editions as the ones for Armistice, Christmas, Star Spangled Swing, Senior Play, Pan American convention and the Senior Edition, in addition to the regular papers published twice a month.

A commendable new activity of the journalism department was the daily news bulletin maintained downstairs for the school's populace. Other activities included an exhibit at Fresno State and the annual Press Banquet held at Pine Lake Lodge. Gertrude Lynch, first semester editor, had her name engraved on the perpetual trophy as the most valuable journalist of the year. Pat Laningham and Agnie Unti served as second semester co-editors, while praise was passed out to Mr. Art Sarna, advisor, who deserved credit for bringing the Maderan into journalistic "pay dirt."

## *Maderan*

**Mr. Arthur Sarna**  
Maderan Adviser  
The man behind the All-American ratings!





Mr. Ray Kendall  
Speaker's Coach

## Interscholastic Speaking

Madera started her interscholastic speaking season with a division championship in extemporaneous speaking won at Washington Union High School by Duane Hartwell. During the year our speakers took part in debate, oratory, and extemporaneous speaking.

On February 15 Madera was host at the Central California Forensic League Extemporaneous Tournament. Over sixty of the best speakers from all over the state entered.

In oratory Louise Hall led Maderans when she won sixth place against the best orators of the state at the Fresno State Contest. She was first place winner of her division.

With Louise, Charles Marklund formed a team which represented Madera in the Fresno County Contest. In the extemp division at the Fresno State College contests Donald Wofford represented Madera.

A member of Madera's speech department was again triumphant when Frank Lease won first place honors in a patriotic contest sponsored by the Lions Club.

Wofford proved decided ability when he placed first in the county finals of the Bankers' contest. With this recognition he went on into the regional and state-wide contests. In this same contest Charles Marklund placed second in the county finals.

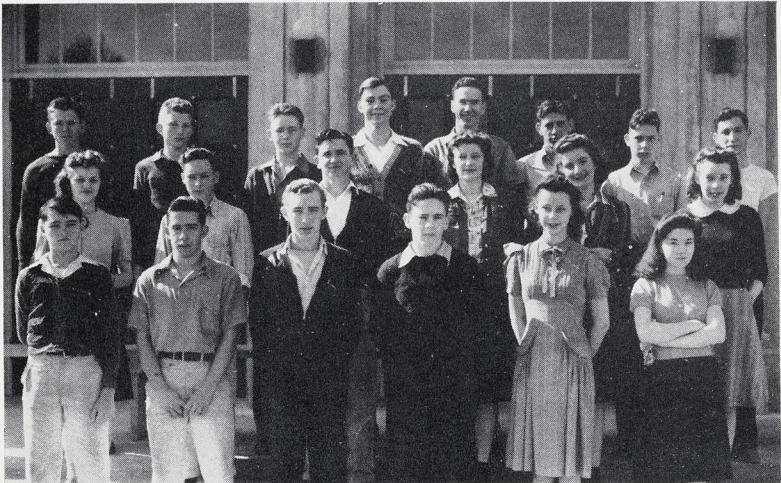
Debate began with a non-decision tournament at Washington Union, and that was followed by the Fresno County League Debates where Madera was represented by Reba Montgomery, Barbara Clark, Charles Marklund, and Ray Ware.

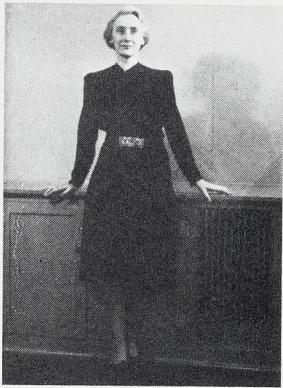
Madera participated in All-State debate tournaments at Ripon on March 1 and Fresno State on March 22. A fine sophomore team composed of Mansel Ocheltree and Robert Thede took second place in the Ripon tournament, and won five straight debates at Fresno.

Mr. Raymond Kendall had charge of the speakers and debaters for another successful year.

Row 1; R. Rowland, C. Marklund, C. Miller, R. Thede, L. Black, G. Wilcox  
Row 2; L. Hall, H. Whiteley, F. Logoluso, R. Montgomery, B. Clark, L. Montgomery  
Row 3; D. Wofford, B. Harrell, R. Jobe, M. Ocheltree, K. Foster, W. Horton, F. Lease, R. Ware

Mansel Ocheltree and  
Robert Thede  
Record-Breaking Debaters





Mrs. Howard Clark  
Head of the Art Department



Row 1; E. Allred, G. Mann, L. Murphy, B. Brown, L. Mollica, R. Rudel, E. Armstrong,  
O. McNeel, W. Hall  
Row 2; M. Nelson, M. Dermer, M. Moreland, M. Nikaito, A. Moosios, B. Owens, A. Rollins  
Row 3; Mrs. Clark, C. Schmidt, J. Colman, V. Davis

## Art Department

Located in the lower hall in rooms 18 and 19 is, figuratively speaking, a bee hive of activity, recognizable as the art department. It is not a club, not an organization, but rather, a very vital part of practically every important event and activity sponsored by other organizations.

To epitomize fully the work carried on in this department would require much more space than is allotted here for this purpose of important activities. We remember particularly the county fair exhibits, the floats in the Old Timer's Day Parade, Red Cross windows and the Winter Sports Carnival sponsored by the Purple and White, to say nothing of publicity posters for the junior play and the carnival.

To the wonderment of most students, work of this type emerges from this department yet a regular class schedule is followed whereby students are taught the correct fundamental principles of color work and free hand drawing. This is supplemented by outside sketching and other activities to make the class interesting, yet prepare the foundation for future work.

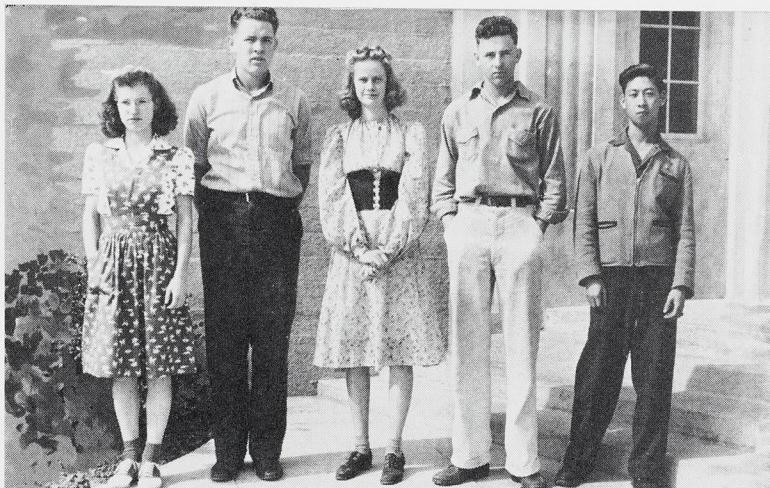
Probably requiring a greater number of pieces of work than any other special event which this department supported was the Armistice Day Parade and festivities which required ninety-six separate signs used for directing traffic on highway 99 and visitors on the school grounds. In addition, a group of freshmen students prepared two twenty-two foot signs for the Tuberculosis float, which wound up a triumphal debut with a first place cup!

A similar success of float experience was previously demonstrated when the Lions' Club float, sporting an art department sign, carried away first place honors in the Old Timer's Day Parade.

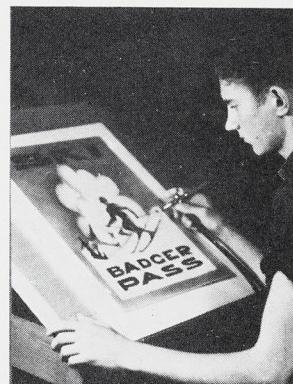
The art department had its part in assisting in the new science unit. The exact colors used were selected scientifically by art principles and the room number plates were made by art students.

An air brush which is considered the last word in progressive commercial art equipment was installed this year. The purchasing of this new equipment was made possible by economizing with supplies in the past years.

Bottom; M. Martin, E. Allred, M. Nelson, W. Hall, R. Woo



Roy Rudel  
Art Student With the  
Department's New Airbrush





## "What a Life"

"Henry, Henry Aldrich," thus was the first two-night run of a class play ushered into Madera Union High School the night of Thursday, December 6, 1940, under the direction of the new drama instructor, Virgil Bergman.

Using the popular play "What a Life," the juniors undertook to do what the stage, the radio, and the movies had all done successfully before them. After the two performances most people felt that the Juniors had added another successful performance to this hilarious comedy.

Centering around the problems of Henry Aldrich, his friends and his family, "What a Life" moved to a rousing climax amid the enthusiastic applause of the audience. Henry, a student in Central High, has more than his share of trouble. He just can't stay out of trouble. Not that he means to do anything wrong, but for some reason everything he tackles turns into a misdemeanor.

First of all he has trouble with his history teacher for which he has a "chat" with the principal, Mr. Bradley. He also has trouble with his girl, Barbara, for which he has a fight with George Bigelow, the school bully. All this makes Henry very unhappy, but when he is accused by the local police of stealing the band instruments, he is prostrate.

Before he is bundled off to jail the mystery is solved, and Henry is allowed to take Barbara to the dance. Only one thing stands in his way — he needs to borrow thirty cents for the car fare.

For the first time in many years Madera saw a realistic set for "What a Life." Designed and built by Mr. Bergman, with the help of Alfred Tamberi, the set represented the office of Mr. Bradley in Central High School. The office was complete down to the last filing cabinet.

Even if Henry did have so much trouble and seemed to be burdened with life, everyone else had fun, and the Juniors will long be remembered for their amusing portrayal of life with Henry at Central High.



## "Why the Chimes Rang"

"Why the Chimes Rang" was the Christmas play presented under the direction of Mr. Virgil Bergman, drama instructor. It played before an adult audience on the night of December 18 and to the high school students December 20.

The scene of the play was set during the early Gothic period in the year of about 1200 A.D. The play opens in a crude stone hut where a peasant, his wife, and two children, Holgar and Steen, dwell. The parents have promised the children a trip to the cathedral to watch the rich people offer their gifts in the hopes that their gift will make the chimes ring. At the last minute, the grandmother became ill, and the parents had to go to her bedside, so it was impossible for them to go to the cathedral.

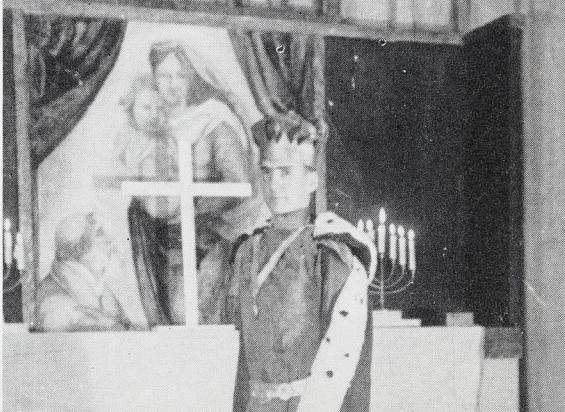
Then Holgar sees rich court ladies, famous men, and even the King offer gifts, thinking that theirs will make the chimes ring, but in vain. Holgar then offers his two pence which he earned by helping a woodcutter—the Chimes Rang.

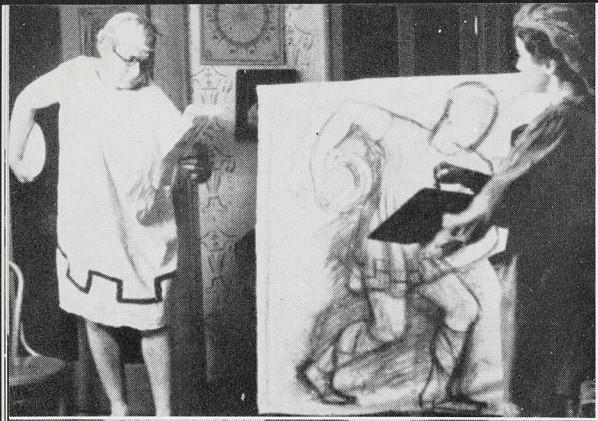
The old woman disappears and the cabin resumes its normal state. Holgar, overcome with emotion, falls on his knees.

The stone-hut, home of Holgar and Steen, and the royal splendor of the Cathedral scene came to life before the eyes of the audience through an ingeniously devised set. Starting in the rude small stone hut, the rock walls fold back as if by magic to allow the colorful church pageant to shine through.

Mounted on large wagons the two sides of the stone hut, with their small, high window and huge medieval fire place, offered a startling contrast to the Sistine Chapel that seemed to emerge from out the walls of the children's hut. The Sistine Madonna, mounted high above the heads of the gift-bearing nobility, and lighted with burning tapers, gave one the allusion of being actually present amid the splendor of a Medieval church.

Musical sponsorship of the Christmas pageant was under the direction of Miss Annabel Denn. All chorus members took part in the holiday play. The program opened with a Christmas candle light processional by one hundred girls. The mixed chorus sang two numbers "The Sleep of the Child Jesus" and "Eight Fold Halleluja."





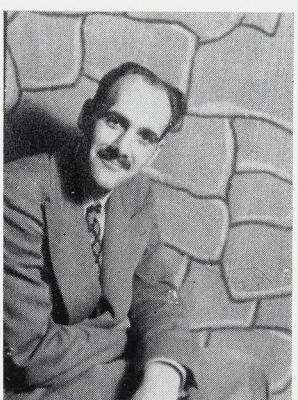
## "You Can't Take It With You"

Amid the sounds of xylophone playing, ballet dancing, darts throwing and a thousand and one other things, a delightfully humorous element is brought forth in the life of the Sycamore Family. "You Can't Take It With You"—money, fame and discontent. The philosophy of life stressed by the Sycamores is to get the fullest enjoyment that is obtainable out of the short length of time which we have on earth. This Pulitzer Prize Winner and judged the best movie of 1936 was selected by Mr. Virgil Bergman, director, for the Senior Class production.

This play was the most difficult job undertaken by any class or group or director in this school for many years. A set that looked like a nightmare was produced by cramming the walls with approximately forty pictures, placing a bowlful of snakes in the midst of the "skullful" of candy, and in general—"stuffing" the stage to a point of overflowing. Humor, romance, and hilarious comedy reigned throughout the entire production. To an amazed family of the "upper class" this appeared to be a mad house.

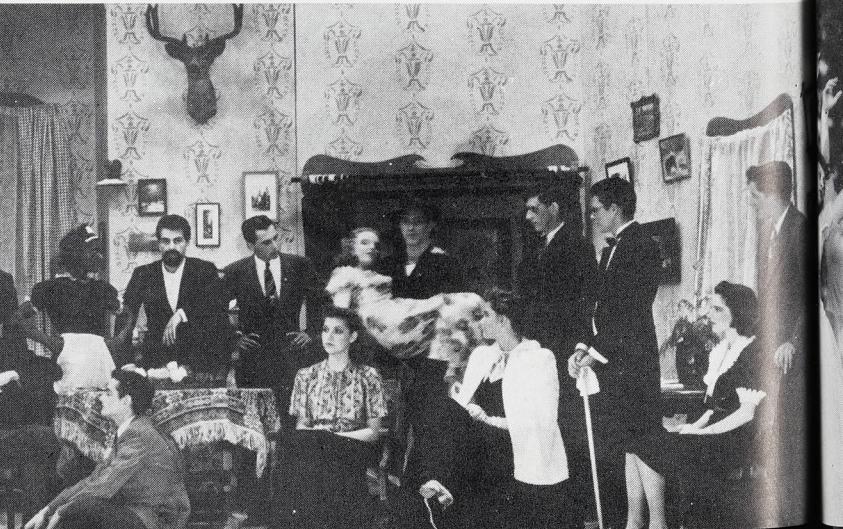
One of the strangest rooms of all times greeted the audience for this Senior play. Each person in the family did most of their living in this room, and consequently kept most of his belongings here and some of the queerest props ever seen on the Madera High School stage were assembled for the production of the senior play.

**Mr. Virgil Bergman**  
Madera's New Drama Master



Placed against a background of sisal green wall paper with Victorian pattern a foot high painted on it, the strange array of props and people made a thoroughly delightful combination. The play was unique in that it presented a sound philosophy of American life, plus a wealth of broad comedy.

Certainly at the end of the play everyone was willing to admit that "You Can't Take It With You."



# "Star Spangled Swing"

Breaking all records of high school musical presentations, the "Star Spangled Swing," Madera's first patriotic extravaganza, filled the auditorium to overflowing on its initial performance night with the result that the public demanded a repeat performance.

With a cast of more than 250 local students aided by some outside talent, the production under the direction of Miss Annabel Denn included interpretations of modern, religious, foreign and classical themes.

Mr. James Arnold directed the band which accompanied the various choruses and different acts throughout the spectacular show. Looked specialty numbers he played muted trumpet to lend a professional touch to the musical background.

The rhumba! But of course the audience was thrilled by the continental note introduced by students lately trained in the art of the rhumba. Miss Alice Kasperian, instructor of the new class, was in charge of the staging of this dance.

Additional performances included Spanish dancers, Melodettes, a trio, all choruses, short dramatic skits and characterizations in the person of a soldier, a sailor, Uncle Sam and the Goddess of Liberty. Mrs. Ono McMillan and Miss Elna Turner supervised the making of special patriotic costumes while Mr. Virgil Bergman was a valuable play-set to the production in staging the acts. Although many persons insisted in making this affair an unprecedented success, all of them could not possibly be mentioned here.

Those deserving special commendation, however, are Nancy Leeable and Lois Montgomery, accompanists, who had heavy responsibilities throughout rehearsals and the plays that, in that, served in this capacity. Willis McGinnis

Because of mass cooperation the affair will stand out as a memorable success.



Miss Annabel Denn  
Director of the Successful  
Musical Extravaganza





Miss Annabel Denn  
Genial Director of Piano  
and Chorus Classes



Row 1; E. Zamora, M. Williams, E. Sciacqua, L. Evans, A. Stadille, M. Arnold  
Row 2; M. Poletti, M. Martinez, E. Thede, B. Pinion, P. Maxim, C. Rodriguez

## Melodettes

Forming an honor society within the chorus department is the Melodettes, the only selected choral group in high school. Organized in October of 1940 by Miss Annabel Denn, this all-girl group has filled numerous engagements both in and out of school.

Rating favorable comments in local papers and from people out of town, the girls performed for the Fresno High exchange assembly, the Rotary Club, local assembly, Junior Auxiliary, Madera County Institute and the Business Men's banquet in the fall of last year.

Following such favorable acclaim after their introduction to the public, the Melodettes started this year with performances for Girls' League, Girls' League exchange as-

sembly, in Clovis, Rainbow Girls, Federated Clubs of the San Joaquin Valley at Fresno hotel, Star Spangled Swing, Tea at the Memorial Hall and the Senior Reception.

Requirements for admission to the group are rigid and all members must give generously of their time and efforts because their work is done as an extra-curricular activity. The girls are chosen because of their ability to read music, sing, and harmonize. Interest in their work is required, too, because members who miss rehearsals are dropped.

Within the organization is a trio composed of Maxine Arnold, Bettylee Pinion and Artye Stadille. This threesome has been popular at many events.

## Mixed Chorus

Starting the year with some experienced choristers and some beginners, Miss Annabel Denn directed the mixed chorus through another year of activity. Composed of forty-five singers, the Mixed Chorus contributed greatly to the success of school events.

The three major activities of the year in which this chorus was an integral part were: the Christmas pageant, the Star Spangled Swing and the Senior Reception.

In the Star Spangled Swing program, the mixed chorus was a featured group with appearances in five of the acts. The group appeared to furnish background music for spring songs sung by soloists while probably their most impressive

number was the church scene in which the chorus was dressed in choir robes and sang in a cathedral setting.

For the Christmas program given for the public and school assembly, the mixed chorus sang numbers carrying out the Yuletide spirit. At the senior reception, held this year in front of the gymnasium, the group presented Old English numbers.

The Freshman Chorus, also directed by Miss Denn, is a beginning Mixed Chorus. However, many of the students have taken a prominent part in musical activities. Accompanist for this beginners group is Lois Montgomery, while Nancy Lee Noble has served two years as accompanist for the Mixed Chorus group.





## *Girls' Chorus*

Largest of the choruses is composed completely of girls. Of the seventy members, most are freshmen and are beginners in chorus work. Miss Annabel Denn, in charge of all choruses, supervises the group, which made their initial appearance in a Girls' League program.

Although it seems like a club, the chorus is really a class which puts in many hours rehearsing numbers for various programs which are many.

The Christmas program with its processional furnished the next setting for the chorus.

The girls also helped much in the Star Spangled Swing, by assisting both on and off stage. Several girls managed the ticket sales; some had responsible positions back stage.

Many girls in the group do not confine their talents to singing alone. Special dancers, specialty acts, and an accompanist are also included.

## *Stellar Musicians*

Outstanding in the musical field during their high school career, Loretta Evans, Willis McGinnis, and Joe Torres have been rated as this year's Stellar Musicians.

Loretta's beautiful soprano voice has gained her this honor and also an excellent rating from both the 1940 District and Regional Music Festivals. She has appeared in many high school, local, and out-of-town entertainments, radio programs, has taken a leading role in an operetta, was a member of the Melodettes and a member of the

California-Western Music Educators' High School Chorus in 1939.

Willis has gained recognition for not only his piano playing but also for his numerous musical compositions. These original compositions and numerous difficult classics were presented by Willis in several musical recitals. He was given an audition over KPO in San Francisco.

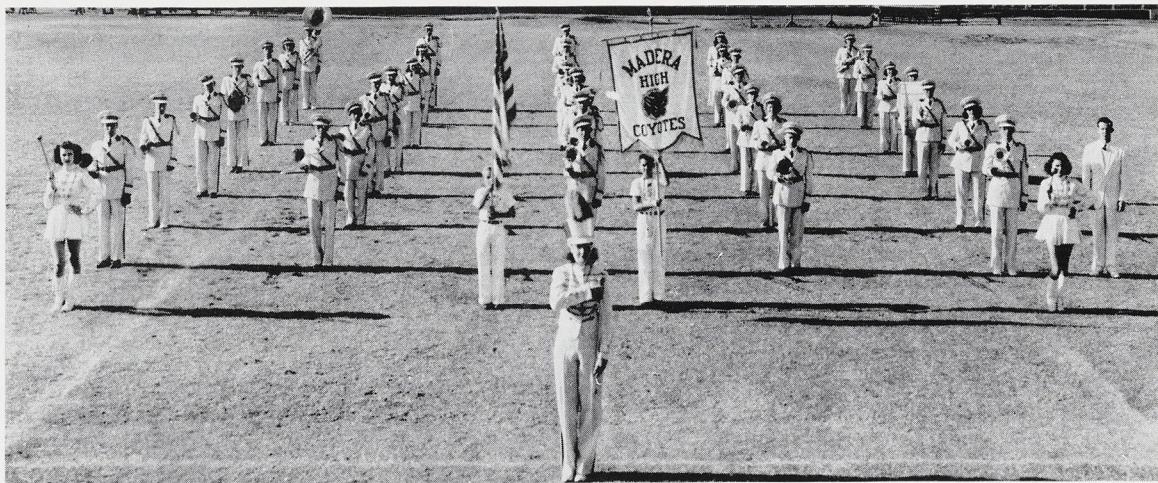
On many occasions he played with the orchestra and entertained members of various organizations.

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**Loretta Evans**  
Stellar Senior Soprano





## Band

Everyday during the school year the sound of music drifted forth from behind the closed doors of the band room. However, music drifted not only from the band room, but also from the various programs and activities the members participated in.

Adding to the thrill of the football and basketball games they played the traditional school songs and marches with the marching unit led by Mary Grace Leggett as drum major and Carolyn Birch and Wilma Watt, majorettes. They also traveled with the teams to Fresno and Merced.

Mr. James Arnold directed the members through the year helped by Calvin Wright, presi-

dent; Craig Smith, vice-president; and Barbara Clark, secretary.

On Old Timers' Day the band led the parade and entertained spectators at the rodeo. These musicians were host to the fifteen visiting valley high school bands which participated in the Armistic Day celebration.

Greeting and farewells were part of their job this year as they greeted Wendell L. Willkie when he passed through Madera on his campaign tour and were present on several occasions at the programs given for the departing draftees.

Together with the vocal department the band put on a military show, the "Star Spangled Swing" which took the place of an operetta.

Featuring music of famous American composers they gave their annual assembly program which included many favorite numbers of the student body. For the enjoyment of the delegates at the Pan-American convention they again presented a musical program.

The spring concert was presented in May in conjunction with the orchestra at which time several seniors were given their merit awards for four years participation in the band. Making their last public appearance the members played at commencement.

Mr. James Arnold  
Band Instructor



# Orchestra

"Music hath charms."

The orchestra, which for the first time was under the direction of Loren Douglas, has had a good year. Perhaps the climax of the year's work was the participation of the orchestra in the musical festival, which was held in Selma, April 18-19. Two selections were chosen this year for the orchestras to play: "Stradelli Overture" and the first movement of Beethoven's "First Symphony." On the playing of these selections, the orchestra received a rating of Excellent, which is next to the highest grade given.

This same rating of Excellent was given to four Madera soloists: Sidney Alice Cooper, violin; Gloria Wilcox, flute; Mancel Justice, French horn; and Calvin Wright, clarinet. Ralph Baraldi and Walter Boring, both of whom played the trombone, were given a rating of Good.

One of the contestants, Sidney Alice Cooper, a talented violinist, was honored by being asked to play in the orchestra which entertained the Western Music Educators' Conference, which was held in San Jose in April.



Orchestra Leader  
Mr. Loren Douglas

Because most Maderans are unable to attend these out of town affairs, they were glad of opportunities throughout the year to hear the orchestra. These musicians added greatly to the enjoyment of the junior play, "What a Life," and the senior play, "You Can't Take It With You," by the selections which they played.

The orchestra shared honors with the Girls' Physical Education Department for one delightful innovation, the first annual entertainment of song and dance. This was called "From Harvest Home to Winter Wonderland," and proved to be a charming combination of color, rhythm, and music.

Row 1; S. Cooper, V. Secara, J. Whitaker, B. Moore, L. Campos, W. McGinnis.  
Row 2; N. Jessen, P. Nishimoto, D. Severson, H. Walden, L. Jones, B. Munter, M. Hummer, M. Tipton.

Row 3; C. Wright, E. Petrucci, W. Petty, P. Wadley, G. Wilcox, L. Gaskin, G. Fredricks, M. Schell.  
Row 4; A. Stoetzel, B. Conklin, R. Montgomery, K. Williams, W. Boring, R. Baraldi, M. Serrano.  
Standing; H. Visconti, J. Jordan, Mr. Douglas.





Row 1; K. Bookalis, J. Arnold, H. Munter, J. Torres. Row 2; R. Martinez

## *Varsitonians*

You push the middle valve down; the music goes round and round, and out come the Varsitonians, five masculine music makers with two femmes for the proper touch. They've been around now for a couple of years and are beginning to make an impression on the after-game dancing populace of this school.

They were organized for the primary purpose of furnishing music for social events when the budget wouldn't permit an outside importation. This year they've added Barbara McNeel, freshman

vocalist, and Anona Stoetzl, pianist to their list of members, swelling the grand total to seven in number.

Because each player was selected for his ability, the Varsitonians can afford to be a wee bit exclusive in regard to membership in the smallest organized musical group in school. This limited membership is probably responsible for some of the good tunes the five lads and two gals turned out at most of the after-game dances.

## *Yell Leaders*

It takes more than the traditional three cheers of the famed hip, hip, hooray to make a successful yelling section. So, a boy and two girls, equipped with megaphones, appeared yelling to the crowds gathered at the major athletic events of the school during the past year.

The boy, Dean Curry, and the girls, Maxine Arnold and Artye Stadille, were elected by the Board of Commissioners to serve for the second consecutive year in a job which requires hours of work and brings in little praise. Present at all football and basketball games, the yell leaders en-

deavored to organize a compact rooting section and introduce a little school spirit which was obviously lacking at such events.

This year, for the first time the student body opened and closed each assembly by singing school songs led by Maxine and Artye. Lois Montgomery accompanied the singing on the piano.

Although Dean is a senior, Maxine and Artye are sophomores, having begun their yell leading during their freshman year.

Artye Stadille, Dean Curry, Maxine Arnold





Row 1; G. Ahles, B. Pearson, A. Garcia, I. Jackson, D. Davis  
Row 2; B. Anderson, Mr. Drake, E. Veach, J. Harris, C. Funk, Y. Montagu, H. Walden, V. Secara

## *Library*

Oh, to be a book worm or a lowly little termite! This wish was not made with destructive intent, but students entering the library last fall could see that it would take a humble little worm to get through all the new books acquired by the school for this year.

Not only have many new volumes helped to enlarge the library but a newly acquired collection of newspapers

and annuals has also helped to increase the library's reference capacity.

The staff, which is selected by Mr. Fred Drake, librarian, also takes charge of the checking desk before and after school as well as throughout the day. From the busily-ticking typewriters in the library office comes the little late notices for books overdue, letters, and filing cards used in the up-to-date card catalogue.

## *Cafeteria*

Witness the rather disorderly and very-much-in-a-a-hurry cafeteria lunch line, come noon time. The biggest piece of pie and the item with the largest dob of whipped cream disappear first as we forget what Mom and Emily Post have drilled into us.

The school cafeteria under the management of Mrs. Grace Hanhart is run on a purely non-profit basis and is maintained for the benefit of students and faculty who need

just the right amount of vitamins and stuff to keep the bloom in their cheeks without artificial restoration (that's rouge, folks).

Mrs. Hanhart is assisted by a few girls each period during the morning. These girls help her to prepare the food for cooking and make sandwiches and do small tasks that are vital in the mass preparation necessary in a cafeteria.

Row 1; L. Alviso, B. David, M. Martinez, N. Jessen, D. Firmalo, S. Valenzuela, J. Willingham, P. Creamer,  
H. Dal Cerro, D. Washburn  
Row 2; A. Hooton, J. Keith, E. Powers, C. Honsinger, P. Allred, G. Hanhart, M. Williams, A. Da Costa,  
I. Collodi, D. Boria





**Dolly Washburn**

Carnival Queen, Backed by Background Snow

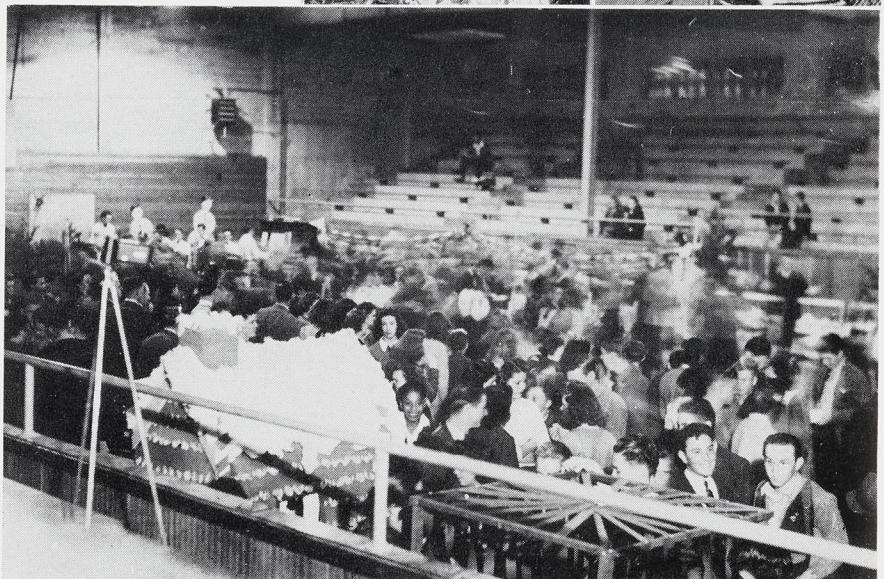
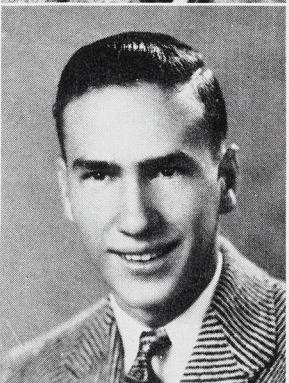
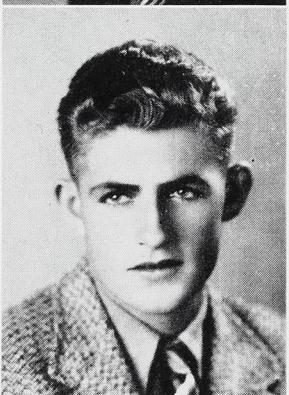
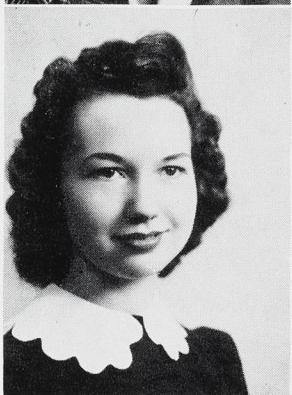
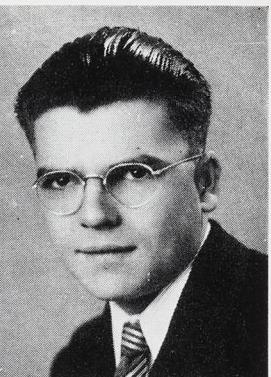
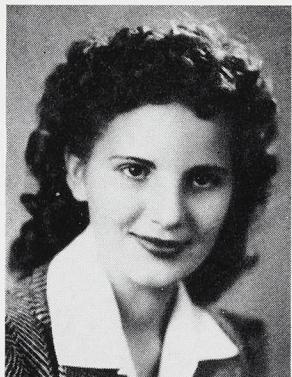
## *Carnival*

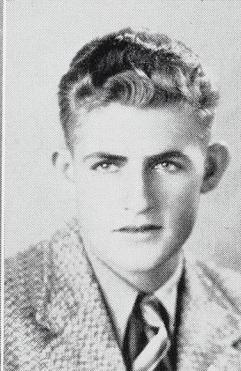
A little red vehicle with green fir trees (all by permission of the forestry department, understand) labored down steep mountain roads and chugged into Madera high school late one night. Figures could be seen quickly unloading the trees and driving away in the truck, just like people do in the "movin' pitchers."

Racketeers? No, madam, just innocent high school lads delivering "the goods" for decorating the Purple and White Carnival. This annual event, sponsored to make financial ends meet for this yearbook, became a Winter Sports Carnival this year and was decorated on all sides by Mother Nature's own green trees and snow men who were white wrapping paper in their better days.

Practically every club and organization in school contributed to the success of the carnival by sponsoring a booth. The French club's sweepstakes winning contribution was a cafe decorated in the ski hut motif.

Flurries in script selling among the classes brought Dolly Washburn, the senior candidate with a million dollar grin, out on top as carnival queen.





## Pan American Convention

Playing host to the Fourth State Convention of the Pan American Student Forum, April 25 and 26, was a great honor to the Madera Chapter of the forum. Delegates arrived on Friday afternoon and after registering, they enjoyed an informal supper and afterwards a dance.

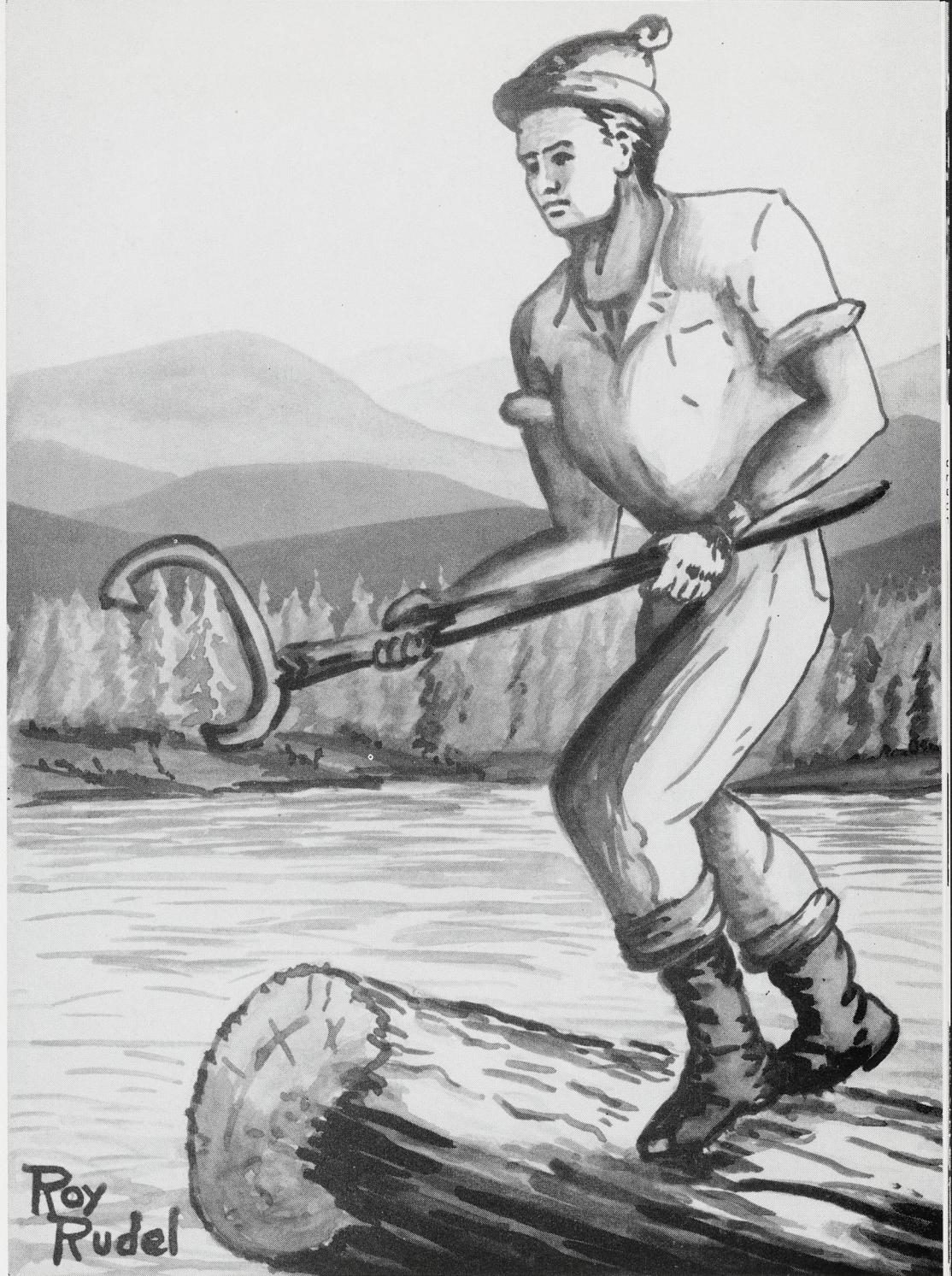
Senora Elvira Borja, unofficial ambassador for Latin America, was the featured speaker on Saturday. She spoke on Latin America. This was followed by discussion groups, held for the purpose of discussing current problems.

A program of Spanish and ballet dances by Miss Dolores van Patten, a professional dancer from San Francisco, followed the discussion groups. Her accompanist was Miss Alleta Day. The local band and orchestra also furnished music for the program.

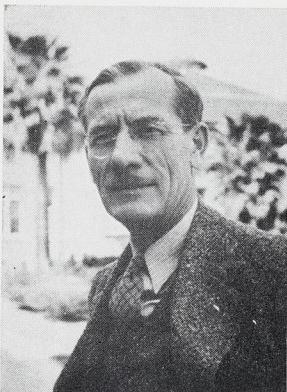
A tea on Saturday afternoon held in the new science building, officially closed the fourth state convention. Officers for the convention were President Roy Holmes, Yuba City; vice-president and general convention chairman, Craig Smith, Madera; secretary-treasurer, Barbara Clark, Madera; and State Director, Miss Annabell Hall, Madera.



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Although he announced his resignation this year, Coach Ross Kinney will always be known here at Madera High, as the "Big Little Man" of football.

sufficient to understand his accomplishments.

In the season preliminaries, the varsity suffered its first setback from a powerful pigskin aggregation from Delano. At the end of the battle the score stood 13-0. The second defeat came when the Livingston Wolves gave the local varsity another bout toward a season with no wins when they defeated the Coyotes eleven 19-7.

League competition started off with a bang when Bob O'Meara, receiving the opening kickoff on our 10 yard line, spectacularly wormed his way through the Fresno High Warrior squad for a touchdown. The Warriors gathered themselves together after such a tremendous send off and proceeded to march down the field, shoving the much lighter Coyote squad before them for 6 touchdowns before the final gun sounded, making the final score, 39-6.

The Grid Banquet with Norman "Red" Strader as the principal speaker was highlighted with the awarding the much coveted "most valuable man trophy" to Elbert Davis due to his "quick kicking ability, his offensive, and his never failing reliability as safety man." The highly cherished sportsmanship trophy was awarded to Harold Summers due to his "outstanding sportsmanship and his ability to back up the line."

The boys pictured below are being taught all the fundamentals of varsity football in spring practice.



Row 1; H. Visconti, E. Davis, T. Harkins, J. Brammer, W. Enos, J. Brown, J. Failla, D. Siebert  
Row 2; J. Kentera, H. Pruitt, C. Schmidt, D. Jones, R. Rudel, D. Cobb, R. Salter, H. Summers, E. Davis,  
P. Ward, P. Simonian  
Row 3; R. Cain, B. Anderson, R. Martinez, C. Smith, D. Mariscotti, J. Garthwaite, D. Catching, P. Wright,  
B. Rector, B. O'Meara



## *Lightweight Football*

Lightweight football, the unheralded stomping grounds for future varsity gridders, smashed through a highly successful pre-league campaign, but was unable to break the annual conference jinx and faded in the opening phases of pennant competition.

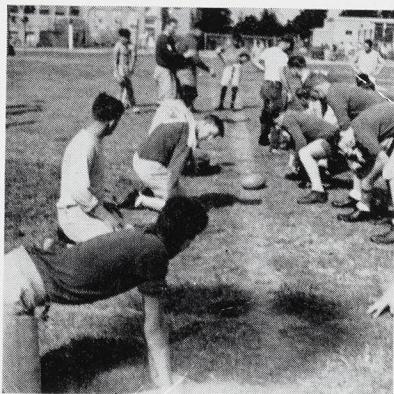
Opening pre-league competition by facing the Chowchilla Redskins, the lightweight gridders pulled through by the skin of their teeth and with a margin of two points, obtained in conversions, took the Redskins to the score 14-12.

Next opposing the Livingston Wolves, the Coyote eleven, sparked by Bob Young and Leroy Vaughn, fought their way to victory, 7-0.

Head Coach Ted Feichtmeir, and Assistant Coach Rinaldo Wren, seeking to give the second squad a game or two experience, lined up Chowchilla and Central for competition. They found it too, in the Central game and the Coyote second stringers were defeated 18-6. In the Chowchilla encounter, the Redskins were leading 13-7 and with just a few minutes to play; for curiosity sake the coaches released the first squad from the bench and sent them into the game. When the final gun sounded the score was 14-13 in our favor.

These conversions continued to win for the Coyote gridders and when the first string opposed the squad from Dos Palos, the extra point was as good as a touchdown. Madera won 14-13.

Lightweight football prospects are receiving spring training by working out with the varsity in the varsity's spring training.



Two years ago, when Ted Feichtmeir took over the mentorship of lightweight football, he got a job—a big one, and with it a lot of grief, and no recognition. He is truly the unsung hero of football.

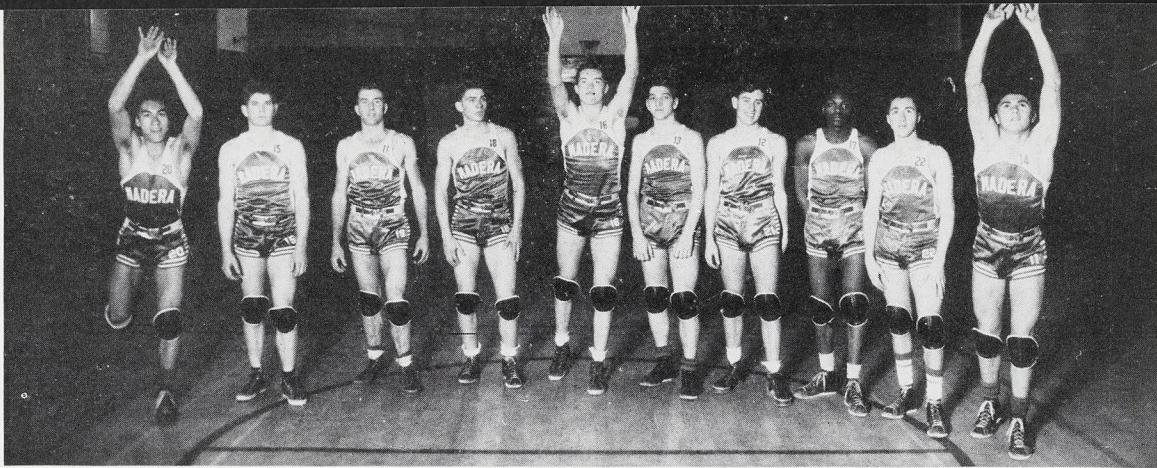
Upon the opening of league competition, the pigskin eleven met the Fresno Tech Wolf Pack and the Coyotes led by Huette Lowry, outfought the Wolves and took home the bacon, 7-0.

In the heart sinking game with Edison, the Coyote squad drove fifty yards down the field only to bog down, and there the Tiger eleven went on to win, 6-0.

Even though we lost the game, the season's thriller was with the Roosevelt Rough Riders. Hard luck played with the lights when Huette Lowry received the ball on our ten yard line and sprinted 73 yards only to be tackled from behind on the Rough Riders 17 yard line. Later in the game, on an end sweep, Lowry got away again and assisted by Lavon Nesmith who sprawled out four men with a beautiful block made the goal line for a touchdown. Hard luck, still playing with the lights, hit the squad again and the conversion failed.

Row 1; A. Murberger, D. Holliday, W. Reeves  
Row 2; D. Caapman, J. Juarez, G. Clark, T. Parder, A. Brown, K. Williams, C. Haney, H. Lynch, R. Wheeler,  
R. Thede, L. Nesmith  
Row 3; D. Ward, C. Bare, W. Stoetzel, J. B. Lynch, R. Landucci, B. Young, H. Bear, J. Veach, E. Sandoval





H. Soto, R. Poole, E. Davis, J. Garthwaite, K. Robbins, A. Sciaqua, H. Maxwell, V. Roberts, E. Armi, B. Farnesi

## Varsity Basketball

Holding true to pre-season predictions, Coach "Babe" Atkinson's "peewee" basketball varsity got pushed around in all league competition this year and won only one game; however, close followers of the team considered the season well spent as a "tuneup" affair for an anticipated banner season next year.

Boosters of the team claimed that although the squad didn't win in league competition, it had scored more total points than their opponents. To back up their statement the totals were shown, and the varsity score was 585 points, the opposition, 561; making the varsity season score, 24 points above that of the opposition.

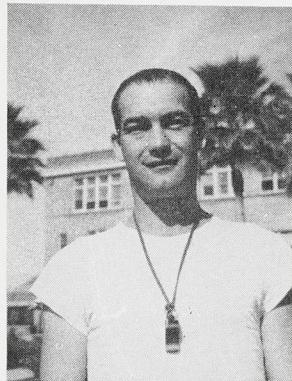
Highlight of the practice competition was the game with the weak Le Grande squad when the varsity allowed them only one basket and four free throws for a total of only 6 points.

The only outstanding game in league competition from Madera's point of view, was the concluding game of league play, the "Little Big game" with Merced.

Another outstanding game of the season was when the varsity was playing host to the Bakersfield high school Drillers. The "peewee" five, upsetting all predictions, and the Drillers' applecart, displayed winning form to edge out the Bakersfield five in a last minute scramble, 30-28.

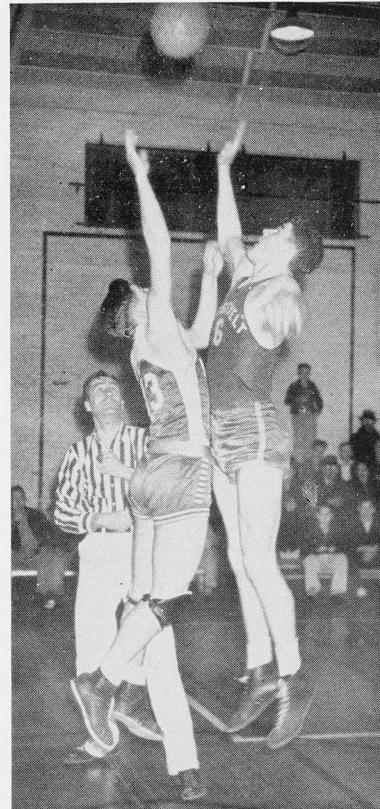
The summary of pre-league competition shows that the varsity won 5 of 8 games and with only one exception the varsity quintet's game score was over twice that of their opponents.

*Coach "Babe" Atkinson did not have many worries this year, being out to win the pennant, he is liable to lose a lot of hair and sleep.*



### GAME SCHEDULE

Madera	16	Monterey	21
Madera	17	Pacific Grove	21
Madera	47	Kerman	18
Madera	27	Sanger	36
Madera	32	Livingston	12
Madera	41	Le Grande	6
Madera	37	Fowler	14
Madera	27	Kerman	23
Madera	24	Fresno High	36
Madera	27	Bakersfield	50
Madera	25	Roosevelt	30
Madera	21	Fresno Tech	24
Madera	15	Edison	25
Madera	32	Merced	37
Madera	30	Bakersfield	28
Madera	20	Fresno High	34
Madera	38	Kerman	24
Madera	26	Roosevelt	29
Madera	19	Fresno Tech	23
Madera	23	Edison	32
Madera	23	Merced	18
Madera	18	Faculty	20





B. Pistoresi, G. Landucci, K. Williams, R. Ware, B. Ishisaki, H. Lowry, M. Minamoto, M. Kinoshita, B. Whitehead, G. Gato

## *Lightweight Basketball*

Burying poor pre-season opposition beneath an avalanche of points, the Basketball lightweights were stalemated in league competition by much stiffer experienced opposition.

Starting the season with but one returning veteran, Coach "Babe" Atkinson's task was how to make a squad from four freshmen, one junior, and a sophomore. In spite of blasting its way through pre-league play, the inexperience of the squad showed plainly in league competition when the boys were called on to "give" and couldn't come through.

In reviewing some of the highlights of the season, one must not overlook the game with Le Grande. In spite of using every team member, except the water boy, the lights allowed only four baskets and a free shot to the weak and poor shooting Le Grande squad. When the dust from the storm had settled, the scoreboard read 32-9.

A short summary of pre-league scoring for Huette Lowry and Kenneth Williams is out of six games both boys had a list of 45 tallies after his name. Lowry missed out on the Le Grande shelling in which Williams accounted for 14 points.

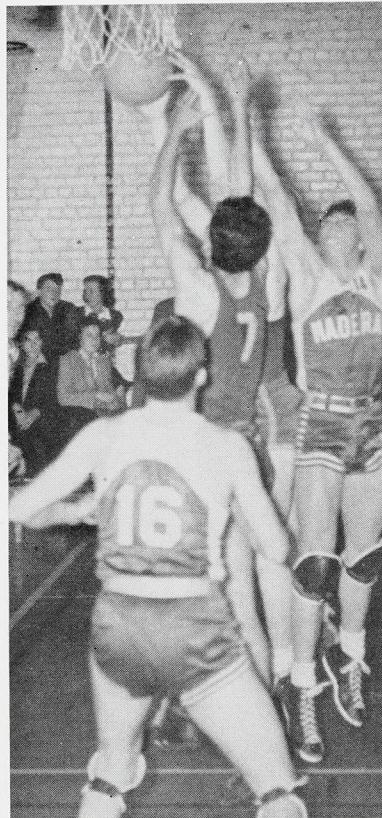
"Out for fun and going to have lots of it" was the attitude of the defeat sore Lights when they opposed the Pine Cone quintet as a preliminary to the annual Varsity-Faculty game. Both teams turning to comedy and fun making for the night, forgot about the score, and when the game ended, what there was of it, was 8-5 in favor of the Pine Cone.

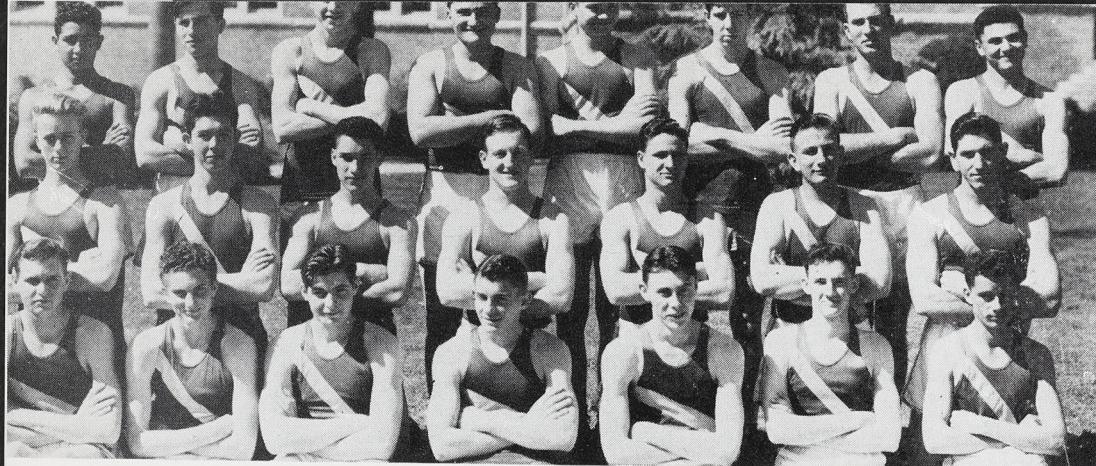
What could be making Art Sarna feel so triumphant?  
Could it be that he bet on the  
"right" team in the varsity-faculty game?



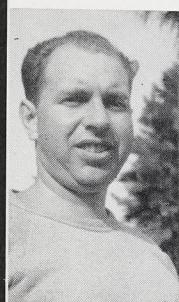
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Madera	5	Pine Cone	8





Head coach of the track team that handed Merced its worst defeat in twenty years is Ray Kendall.



Shown above in row one from left to right are Elton Griggs, Roy Rudell, Dick Viglierchio, Jed Garthwaite, Don Cobb, Ralph Baraldi, and Team Captain Bob Benderach. In the second row are Vernon Davis, Alerd Brown, Jack Brammer, Bob O'Meara, Elbert Davis, John Kentera, and Joe Failla. Shown in the row standing are Mike Serrano, Ray Cain, Art Hillgrove, Paul Pollos, Kenneth Robbins, Bruce Gottfredson, Elvin Davis, and Bill Farnesi.

## Track

Not satisfied with topping every invitational meet in which they entered, Coach Ray Kendall's squad of cinder artists wallop the Merced Bears by the biggest score in twenty years.

The Bears didn't even give the spiked athletes a close run for it, except in class C where the score was 48½-44½ in our favor. The heavyweight class in which, as a rule, Merced manages to take quite a few points, wasn't even close. The A squad allowed the Bears only 3 of 13 possible firsts, and to top it all off the points in the heavyweight division were 91½ to 44½ for Merced.

The fastest time of the meet was run by Johnnie Juarez who won class C 75 in 8. flat, a new school record.

Some of the fast times of this meet were the 100 yard dash which Bob O'Meara sprinted off in 10 flat, the high hurdles which Elvin Davis reeled off in 16 seconds, and the class



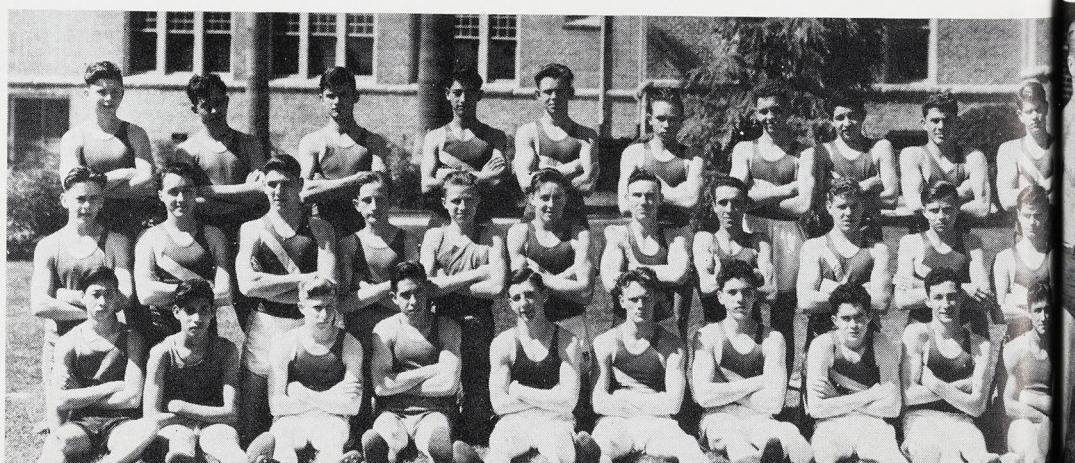
Jess Markle, assistant track coach, kept the sprinters in top form and his reliability was a great asset to Coach Kendall.

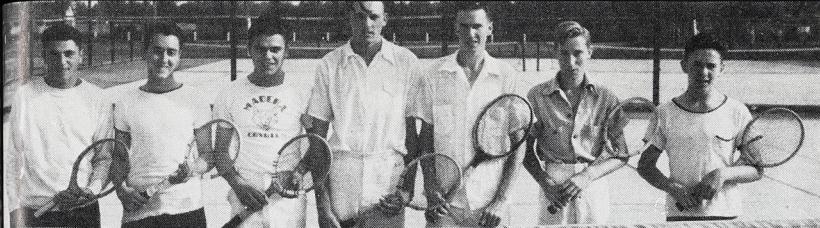
B high hurdles which Willard Reed ran in 9.6. Emilio Armi threw the discus for 133 feet 10 inches.

Running a sensational 9.8 100, Bob O'Meara topped the 220 record in 22.3 seconds, three tenths of a second under Chipman's record set by a member of years back. The meet with Los Banos and Dos Palos wasn't even close and the squad scored 192½ points to a combined score of 158½ for Dos Palos and Los Banos. Los Banos scored 81½ points and Dos Palos 77.

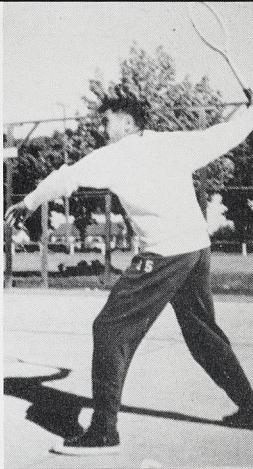
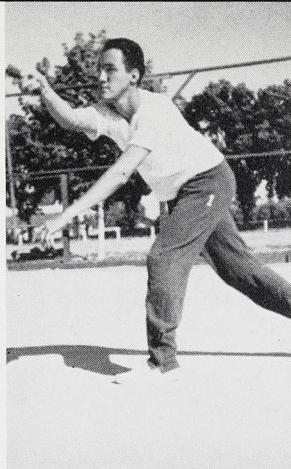
In the Fresno County meet the outstanding performances were turned in by Ray Poole and Al Sciacqua. Ray cleared six feet to set a new high jump record for the county class B mark. Al heaved the shot 46 feet 3 inches for another new record. Another good mark was set by Bob Benderach in the 880 with a time of 2:01.7.

The B and C class boys, with the triumphant look on their faces, are from left to right, first row, Richard Woo, Manuel Ramirez, Darrell Chapman, Charles Marklund, Howard Bear, Bob Young, Rolland Yauch, Ray Miller, Ray Ware, and Johnnie Juarez. In the second row are Bob Thede, Emilio Armi, Al Sciacqua, Andrew Kentera, George Tipton, John Davis, Huette Lowry, Willard Reed, Harold Snowden, Warren Cain, and Warren Stoetzel. Shown standing in the third row are Dick Wheeler, Jack Pimentel, Leonor Da Silva, Manuel Lopez, Don Wofford, Wade Rogers, Bernard Wall, Ernest Gurrola, Roy Landucci, and Ray Poole.





Row 1; J. Evans, B. Farnesi, A. Coffland, G. Hanhart, B. Clark, E. Weaver, L. Jachner, A. Stadille  
Row 2; B. Farnesi, E. Armi, K. Gill, A. Tamperi, K. Foster, A. Fraser, R. Thede



Emilio Armi and Bill Farnesi, the boys' tennis double team, were tops in league play—next to the Roosevelt boys.

Coach Grace Fuller pulled her tennis team through in grand style considering the fact that most of them had never played in a tennis match before.

## Tennis

Though with an entirely new group in tennis this year caused by the graduation of all last year's team, the squad had an interesting and successful season. The practice schedule started in the fall and led up to the league matches which started in April.

With the addition of Merced to our division in the Yosemite League, six schools compete.

The team was victorious in the league matches with Merced 3-2 and Edison 5-0. At press time victories were expected from Fresno Tech and Roosevelt.

## Boxing

Boxing, organized only four years ago in Madera High by Rinaldo Wren has been one of the lesser sports, but after the two night tournament held in the gymnasium this year, there seems to be little doubt that it will soon be tops in athletic activities. Increasing popularity chances, is the fact that numerous attempts have been made to put boxing on an interscholastic basis, but so far this plan has not crystallized due to lack of town backing.

The enrollment of the class has increased twice over since its organization in 1937, and judging from the terrific success of the third annual tournament "Punch Bowl" held this year, the class is going to need much larger training quarters.

A ladder tournament was used throughout the season by Coach Grace Fuller to qualify team members and finally to determine the school's best players. In addition an interclass elimination tournament, inaugurated by Miss Fuller last year, was again held after the season.

A new piece of equipment, a Tom Stow Stroke Developer, was put into use this spring which greatly aided the perfecting of strokes. Also a restringing outfit was ordered to teach students the art of restringing as well as to assist in preserving equipment.



A change made in the awards for the tournament winners is that the winners previously received golden gloves and the runners-up were given bronze medals. This year, however, the awards given were similar to those earned in track; the winners won an attractive gold medal and the runners-up, a silver. One of the noted pugilists that received his start in the first tournament is George Evans, who for a while, was one of the main contenders for the valley amateur welterweight crown. George is now in the professional ring. Tony Faso and Max Cowger are two more who have dabbled in the amateur ring after being inspired by Mr. Wren's coaching.

A great deal of the success of the annual "Punch Bowl" can be attributed to Boxing Coach Rinaldo Wren.



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## *Most Valuable Players of the Year*

ELBERT DAVIS was chosen as this year's most valuable football player. This distinction was won by his quick kicking, his offensive play, and his reliability as a safety man. Eb, as he is commonly called, is the individual who proves the rule that size doesn't count.

HAROLD SUMMERS, chosen as the football player exhibiting the most sportsmanlike qualities, won his recognition because he could take an elbow in the eye, a fist in the stomach, or a knee in the back and come up with a grin. Players like Harold Summers that can grin and not take it out on the other fellow are hard to find, but when you do, they're tops.

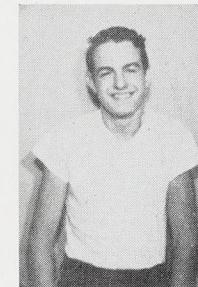
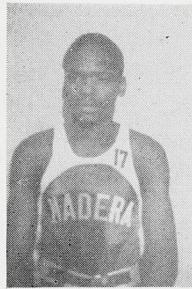
VERNIE ROBERTS, voted the most outstanding man in basketball, was worthy of every bit of recognition he receives. Vernie, besides being the high scorer for the varsity, has all the other qualities necessary to become tops in basketball. Furthermore, when he came out of a game, the opposition knew there was a fighter; a clean one.

BOB O'MEARA is in the Hall of Fame because, even though he was outstanding in many sports, he stood out as great in track. People are few who can, or have ever run a 9.8 100 yard dash or a 22.3 220. Bob has, for those are his times which he established in the Dos Palos, Los Banos invitational meet held here on April 19. Although this year book goes to press before the meets are held, we can expect big things from Bob in the valley and the state meets.

CHET SCHMIDT, the outstanding senior on the unsuccessful baseball nine, has his picture on this page of honor because of his constancy and reliability. Chet had a good hitting average all season, and putting that with his pitching ability and his reliability as first sacker we've got something. Chet's best game of pitching was in the game with Edison Tech. Chet held the strong Tiger nine for seven innings with but one run. Few high school prep pitchers are that good.

FRED JONES is the outstanding boy in the sport of swimming. Placing second, in keen competition in the valley meet, he has excellent chances on taking the 50 yard free style this year. In the Fresno county league we know he's a cinch.

It takes a long time to become a swimmer and a lot longer to become a champion.





Few are those who can put in long, hard hours and receive little recognition. Assistant Baseball Coach Ted Feichtmeir is really tops among those few.

## Baseball

Suffering numerous setbacks in pre-league play, the baseball nine was unable to adjust itself and went through league play without winning an encounter.

Even at that, the squad, under the coaching of Ed Atkinson and Ted Feichtmeir, won almost one-third of their games, needing only one more win to make it five of fifteen games.

In summarizing the season the game with Edison Tech stands out as a real thriller. The game, moving along rather slowly burst afire in the eighth inning when Chet Schmidt slammed out a three base hit and knocked

Sitting; L. Doshier, C. Dobashi, T. Goto, M. Kinoshita, W. Kirby, H. Soto  
Kneeling; B. Pearson, M. Minamoto, M. Kinoshita, W. J. Smith, B. Ishisaki, W. Boring  
Standing; T. Harkings, F. Molina, W. Enos, C. Schmidt, L. Aguirre, D. Catching, F. Avalos

in Walker and Molina, making the score 5-4 in their favor. Edison, blasting away, added five wins to their score in the next inning while the Coyotes could muster only two. The game score stood 7-9, with the home team bringing up the rear.

Outstanding of the games won, was the game with the Sanger Apaches when the Coyote nine, led by Jesse Valderrama and Chester Schmidt, each scoring two runs, walloped the Apaches 9-4. The other games won were, Chowchilla 6-10, Raymond 1-2, and 4-8.

## Swimming

Swimming, under the coaching of "Babe" Atkinson and Lois Chambers, and assisted by "Pop" Peterson, has probably gone the furthest in valley competition than any other sport here at the high school. Within the last three seasons of competition the boys' A squad has won two county crowns and has placed second in the valley for all three years. The lightweight swimmers have also won two county titles and in valley competition, have won one, tied for first, and also tied for second. The girls have won two valley championships in four years.

On the Madera squad, there is one who stands out from the rest; this individual is Betty Joe Goode. Last

year she took six firsts in the valley, and in doing so she established a record in four races. The records which she holds are in the 100 yard free style, 50 yard back stroke, 50 yard breast stroke, and 50 yard free style.

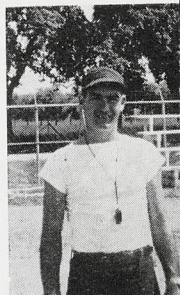
She entered the Far Western Championships held in San Francisco last year and took second in the 50 meter free style, fourth in the 100 meter free stroke and fourth again in the 200 meter free style. From that record we know that we can expect a lot from Betty Joe this year.

Other stalwarts of the swimming team are Bob Whitehead in diving and Fred Jones in the sprints.

Some of the swimming regulars are shown below, in the bottom row, left to right, Fred Jones, Mike Douhan, Ray Detherow, and Bob Whitehead. In the top row are Pete Anderson, Walt Enos, Lon Gordon, and Franz Weinschenk. Those members of the squad not shown in the picture are Gerald Veach, Robert Silkwood, Bobby Row, Roland Yauch, Warren Stoetzl, Rea Morgan, Bob Slater, Jed Garthwaite, Mancel Ocheltree, and Arthur Burgess.

Members of the girls' swimming team are shown below and in the bottom row, left to right, Eileen List, Aryte Stadille, Marcia Robley, Jimmie Bess Prestidge, Lorna Lee Triplett, and Pagni. In the top row are Joanne Braucht, Anona Stoetzl, Betty Joe Goode, Shirley Goode, Fette Nelson, and Barbara Anderson.

Coach Ed "Babe" Atkinson distributed his coaching abilities to swimming and baseball and achieved a great deal in both fields.





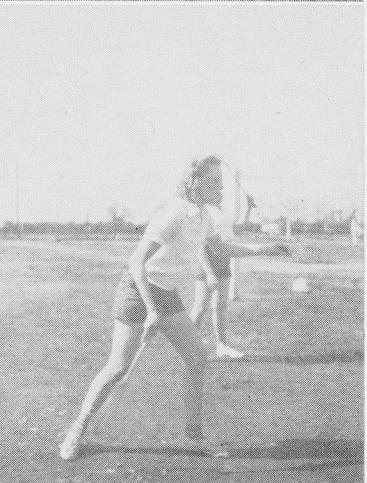
## *Girls'*

Since no sport section would be complete without a portion set aside for those athletic inspired femmes, these pages are to acquaint the reader with some of the sport activities in which the girls participate.

As gym is compulsory, the girls are given their choice of three departments, that of Folk Dancing, Spanish Dancing, or the regular gym classes in which such games as volleyball, badminton, hit-pin, shuffleboard, basketball and baseball are played. Then, of course, there is the remedial period in which the girls play ping pong or read books and magazines.

The highlights of the girls' athletic activities are the regular interscholastic play days. The first of this year was held in Mariposa on the 19 of October, the second at Tranquility on November 16, and Madera acted as hostess to several hundred girls from Kerman, Central, Tranquility and Mariposa on May 10.

Castanets click gaily as the señoritas of the Spanish Dancing class dance rhythmically to music of the Don Juans of Mexico. The girls from this class participated in the movie program



## *Sports*

at the Rex Theatre on November 29. Several also took part in the Star Spangled Swing on March 14 and 18, while still others entertained at the Pan American convention held on April 25 and 26.

"Winter Wonderland," under the leadership of Mrs. Lois Chambers and Loraine Bowlus, was the first public program ever given by the gym classes. The Folk Dancing class, consisting of forty-five girls, learned many tap dances as well as simple, happy European folk and social dances to give at the presentation.

To get back to the classes again, the last period of the day is given over to those girls aspiring to become tennis greats. As this is the only school team on which a girl may obtain a position, the competition is rather keen. However, Miss Grace Fuller, tennis coach and instructor of this class, arranged for an elimination tournament to see who was to be included in the team, a ladder tournament in February for the purpose of lining out the order of their ability, and the inter-class tennis matches in which everyone could compete.





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Row 2; J. Krayenbuhl, P. Lanningham, A. Cereghino, G. Onwiler,  
A. Stadille, B. Frederick, L. Jones.  
Row 3; E. Predroncelli, J. Rushing, E. Weaver, A. Pagni, J. Harris,  
E. Slafer, A. Larson, S. Larson, A. Halloran.

## G. A. A.



Their interclass games were held three times a week so that points could be earned for honors. The games were arranged and managed by the first and second semester Commissioners of Girls' Activities, Angie Pagni and Genevieve Brooks, and their assistants, Anne Garcia and Dorothy Firmalo. Volleyball, badminton, hit-pin, baseball, speedball, tennis, shuffle-board, basketball, basket-speedball, swimming, and table-tennis were the games played throughout the year.

Braving the elements of cold and hot weather, the members of the Girls' Athletic Association compete against each other the year round. When the weather was too cold or raining, they played in the gym, otherwise, they played outside.

Points are granted for the participation in the activities. The awards granted were based on the schedule of points. An earning of 100 points in girls' sports must be made by a girl before she can become a member. A circle M is awarded on the earning of 300 points; a block M, on the earning of 500 points. The greatest honor a girl can receive is the Winged M with 1000 points. The girls who have earned it are Wanda Barr, Kathleen Bear, Genivieve Brooks, Anne Cereghino, Anne Garcia, and Angie Pagni. These girls are all seniors.

The presidents of the first and second semesters were Eileen Armstrong and Angie Pagni, and both Mrs. Lois Chambers and Miss Lorraine Bowles proved their ability as Girls' Athletic advisors.

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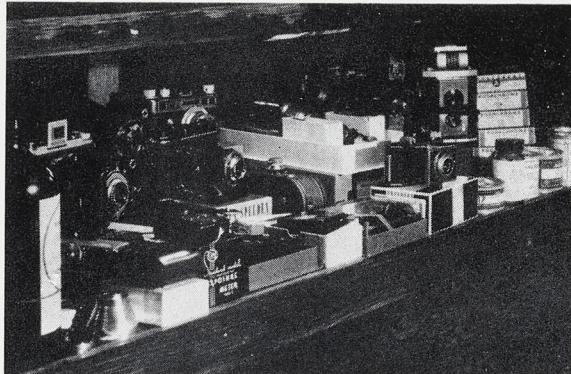
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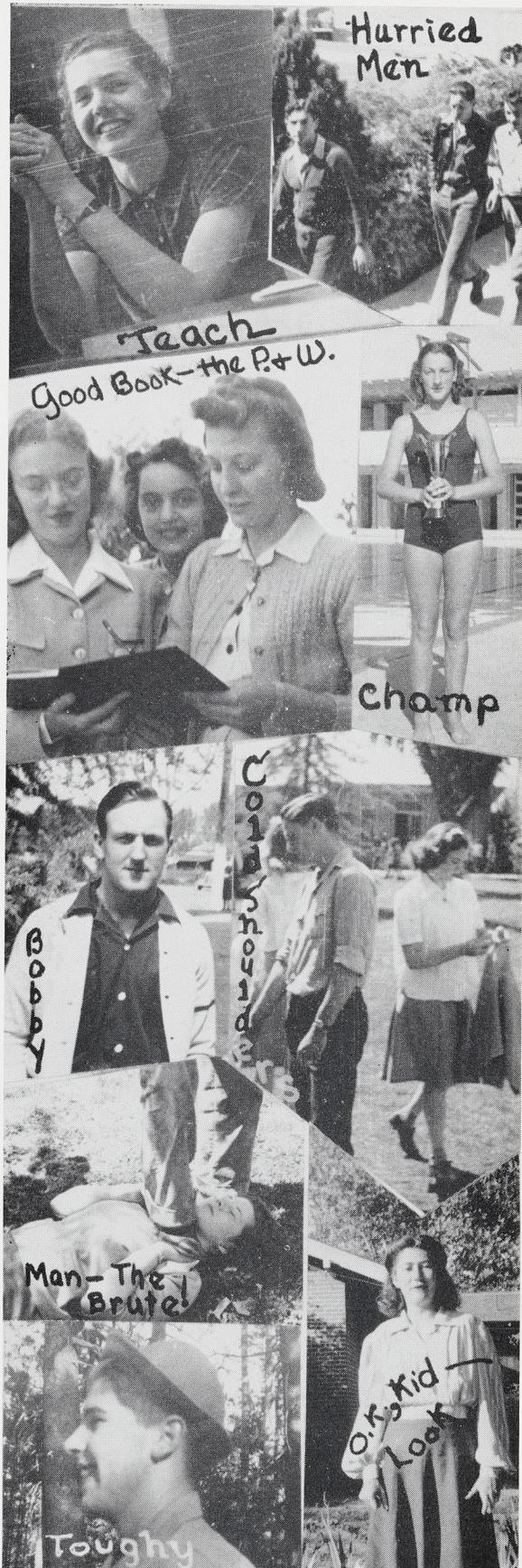
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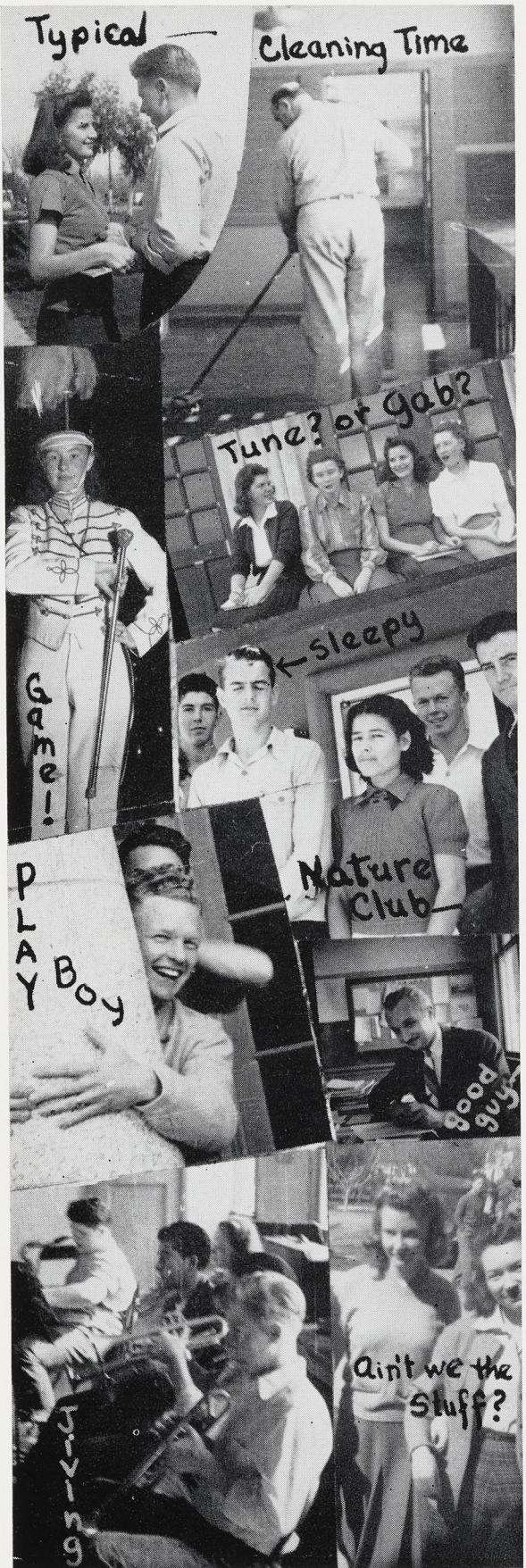
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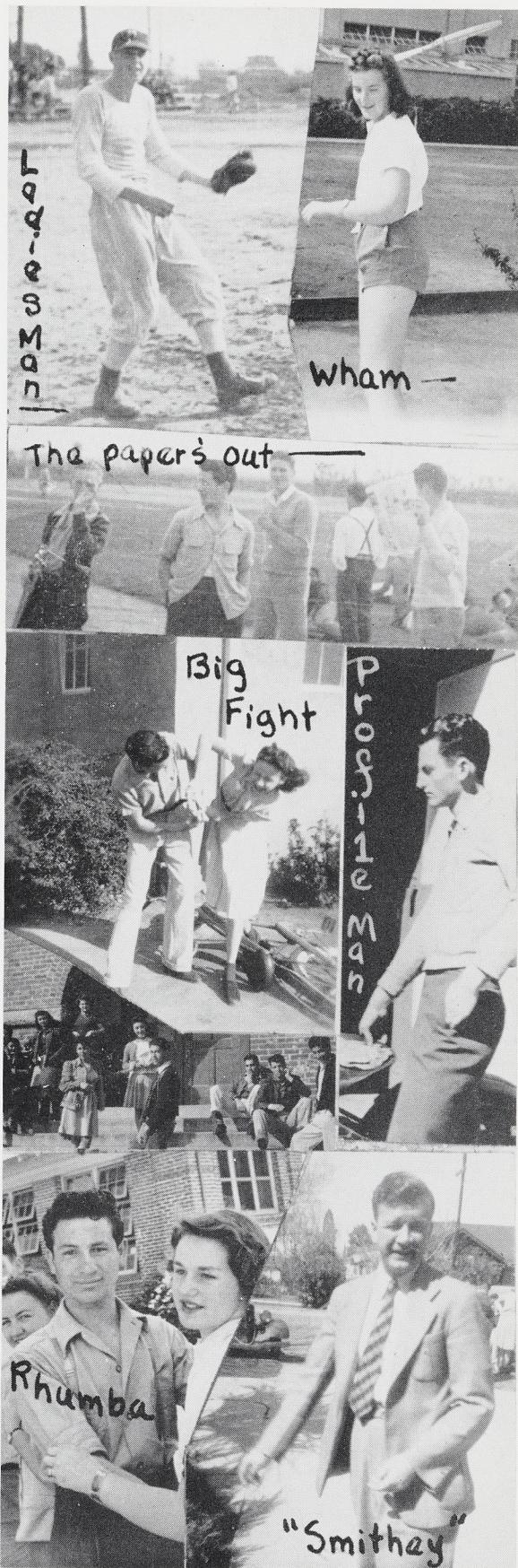
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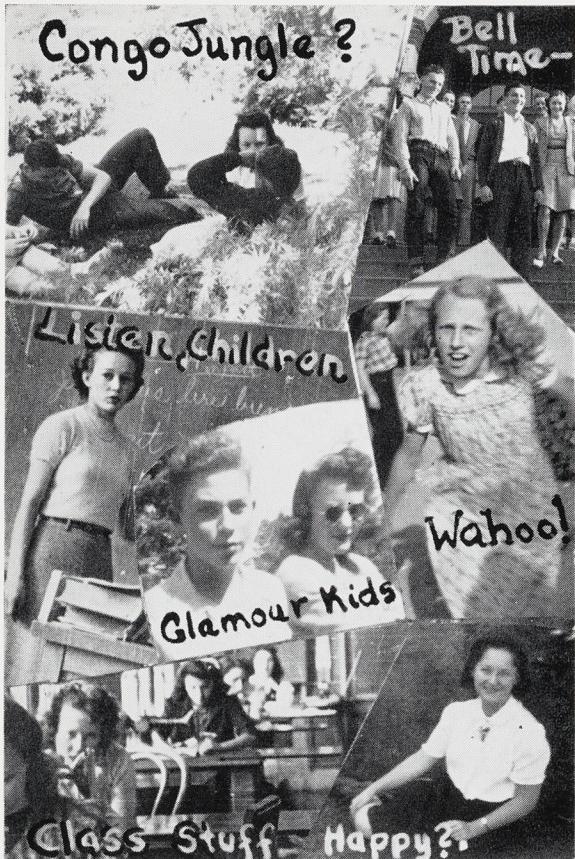


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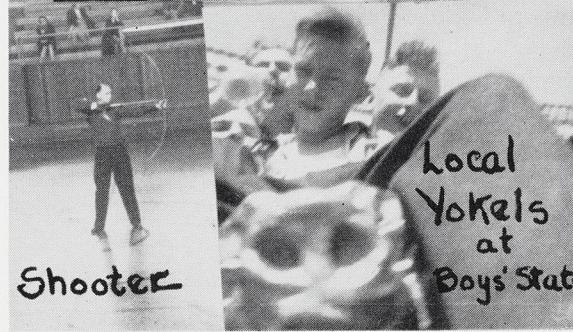
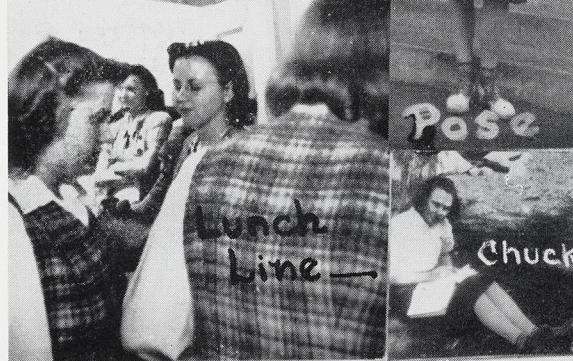
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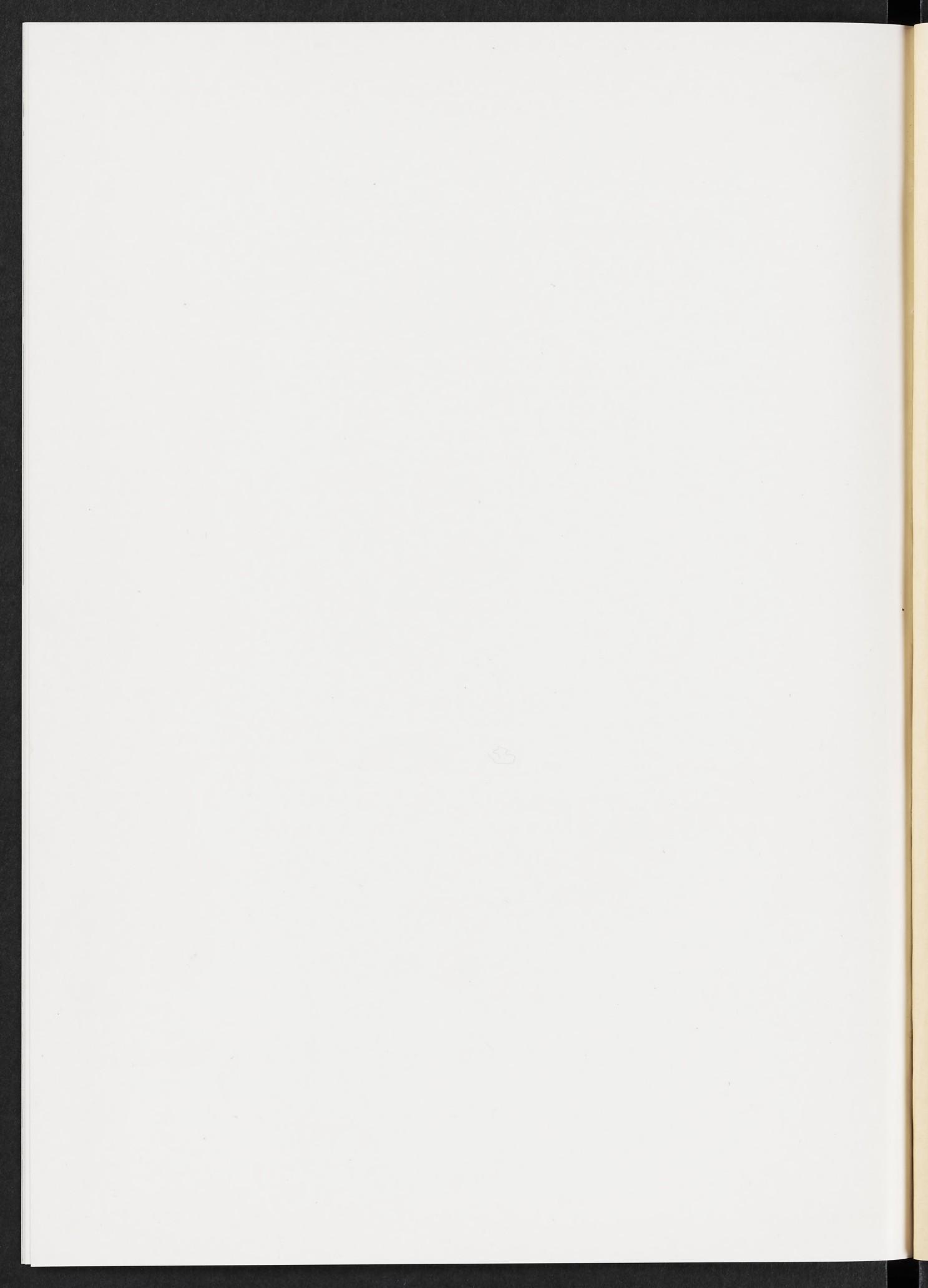
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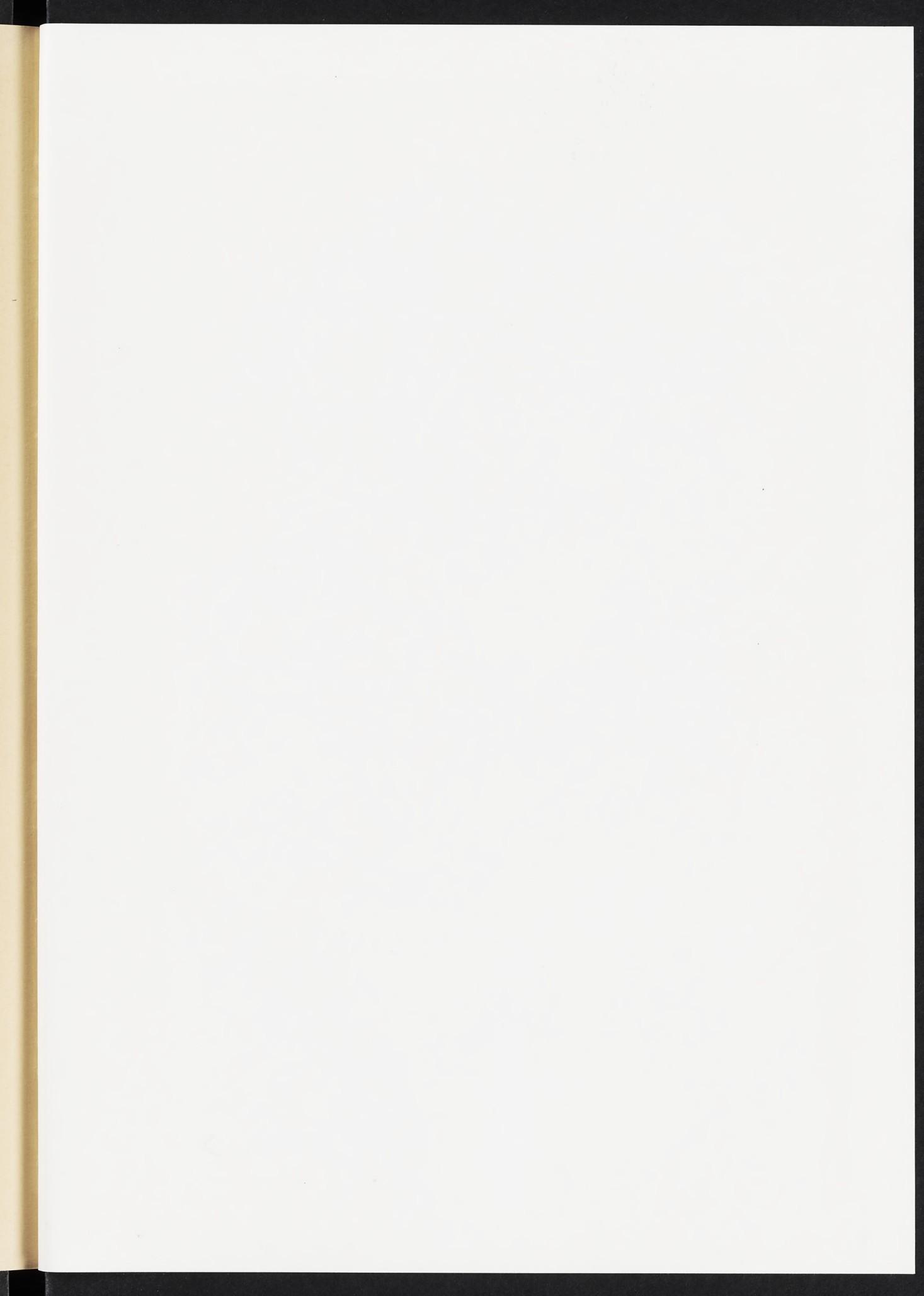
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